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## Passengers lucky to have walked away, say RCMP

By Nicole Smith

Three passengers of a truck that was broadsided by an oilfield truck last Saturday were lucky to have walked away, says Constable Myles Peckham.

A mother and her two daughters, aged 10 and 12, were driving in a crew cab truck when they were struck on the passenger's side of the vehicle by an oilfield truck that failed to stop at a stop sign. The accident took place approximately 10 miles east of Carstairs.

The driver of the oilfield truck says that due to the icy road conditions he just couldn't stop the vehicle. Both he and his passenger were "very shaken up" after the accident, said Peckham.

The three passengers of the smaller truck were taken to the Didsbury Hospital where they were treated and then released that same day.

Peckham says that one of the girls received a broken wrist and that the mother and the other daughter also received minor injuries.

"It's just amazing that they walked away," said Peckham. "They're all pretty lucky."

Peckham says that none of the five people involved in the accident were wearing their seatbelts and that alcohol was not a factor in the accident.

The driver of the oilfield truck has been charged with failure to stop at a stop sign.



### MAJOR WRECKAGE

The three passengers of this truck were lucky to have walked away without any serious injuries, says RCMP officer Myles Peckham.

This accident occurred about 10 miles east of Carstairs on Saturday morning, when an oilfield truck failed to stop at a sign and broadsided a passing crew cab truck.

Photo by Nicole Smith

## Draft of new Land Use Bylaw finally complete

*Town of Didsbury looking for public input over the next few weeks*

By Nicole Smith

Nearly a year's worth of re-writes and revisions has produced the newly completed draft of the Town of Didsbury's Land Use Bylaw.

The Land Use Bylaw (LUB) deals with a multitude of issues pertaining to development in Didsbury, and is what Planning and Development Officer Robert Wigg lives and works by.

The current LUB was created in 1990 and was last amended in 1995, so Wigg says that "it's an old document."

Prior to 1995, the provincial government had a Planning Au-

thority that was responsible for handling development issues, but disbanded that year and gave control to municipalities.

In 1998, the Town of Didsbury created a Municipal Develop-

ment Plan, which is a base land use document. Wigg says that the new draft LUB is the next step in a much more specific document.

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# In the courts...

by Dan Singleton

## Drunk driver hit pedestrian

An 18-year-old Didsbury man who was drunk when he drove a motor vehicle into a pedestrian and then fled the scene without offering to help the victim has been fined.

Aaron Speer pleaded guilty in Didsbury provincial court on April 12th to charges of driving with a blood alcohol level greater than 80 mg per cent, and breach of a court order.

The accused was driving in Didsbury on April 9, 2000 when he slammed into the victim, throwing the man onto the vehicle's hood. Crown prosecutor Danny Elliott told Judge Robert Davie.

Speer then drove away, being arrested near his home after at least eight witnesses reported the accident to police. The pedestrian was later taken to hospital with minor injuries.

Breathalyzer tests indicated the accused's blood alcohol level was 130 mg per cent. Speer was under a previous unrelated court order not to drink liquor.

Defence counsel Brian Forestell asked Judge Davie to impose a \$600 fine.

The judge said the "very serious" incident required a stiffer penalty, imposing a \$1,000 fine on the drunk driving charge and a \$700 fine on the breach charge. With victim fund surcharges, the total penalty was \$1,955.

Judge Davie also handed Speer a one year driving prohibition.

## Bad blood leads to assault

A 20-year-old Didsbury man who attacked another man with whom he had a long running dispute has been fined.

Trevor Redmond pleaded guilty to a charge of assault.

Court heard the accused approached the victim at a local gas station on Oct. 22, 1999.

Following a brief argument, Redmond pushed, shoved and punched the victim in the face, prosecutor Elliott said, noting there had been "bad blood" between the men for some time.

"He admits punching the fellow," said defence lawyer Brian



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Forestell.

Judge Davie said, "Punching people in the face is not really the solution to anything." The judge fined Redmond \$500.

## Woman told police she was dead

A former Caroline resident who falsely told police a woman had been stabbed to death in her home has been placed on probation.

The 48-year-old woman pleaded guilty to charges of public mischief and obstruction of a police officer.

Sundre RCMP Const. Dusty Miller was called to a Caroline residence on June 11, 1999 after a woman dialed 911 saying someone at the location had been stabbed, prosecutor Elliott told the court.

When Miller arrived at the scene, the accused said a woman had died in the home. The accused refused to let the officer into the home.

Miller then forced his way into the house, searching without success for the stabbing victim.

It was only after other officers arrived at the scene that was it discovered the accused was, in fact, the woman reported stabbed.

It was the fifth time the accused had made a false report to police.

The woman is currently seeking medical treatment for ongoing mental health problems, court heard.

Judge Davie handed the accused a suspended sentence, including one year probation.

# Stronger system for basic learning

Alberta Learning has brought together a team of partners in education including parents, teachers, students, business and labour representatives to better define the results Albertans expect from the Early Childhood Services to grade 12 learning system. The committee's work will be the first phase in the development of a larger, outcomes-based blueprint to make the education system more flexible and responsive to learners.

"To ensure Alberta's students continue to do well, we must equip our learning system for meeting the demands of the future. This committee is another way for people with various perspectives to share their insights on the outcomes that will serve our students best," said Dr. Lyle Oberg, Minister of Learning. "We have one of the best education systems in the world, but the opportunity always exists to improve how we meet learner needs."

This Review Committee on Outcomes includes representatives from Alberta Learning, the Alberta Home and School Councils' Association, the Alberta School Boards Association, the Association of School Board Officials of Alberta, the College of Alberta School Superintendents and the Alberta Teachers' Association. Representatives from a university, a college or technical institute and business and labour organizations are also serving as committee members, along with a graduate and a current student, a parent and a member-at-large.

The Review Committee on Outcomes is expected to submit a report to the Minister by January 31, 2001

# Prison terms for police chases

By Nicole Smith

If you try to out run the police in the future, you just land yourself in jail.

Recently an amendment was made to Bill C-202, which deals with the evasion of a peace officer.

Now, if you fail to pull over for the police without a reasonable excuse as soon as you possibly can, you are liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years.

Also, if you cause bodily harm to another person while being pursued by the police, you are liable for a prison term of no more than 14 years.

If you cause the death of another person while being pursued by the police, you could go to jail for life.

Sergeant Ron Platz, of the Didsbury RCMP detachment, says this new amendment is a welcome one to police officers in Canada.

He says that there hasn't ever been anything to address this in the past, except that a \$75 fine could be handed out for failing to yield to a siren.

Platz says that this amendment will really assist the police in any pursuits that may happen in the future.

"This will prevent a lot of accidents with the public," Platz said.

"It really is something welcomed by the police."

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# ATA president looking into issues facing education

By Nicole Smith

The president of the Alberta Teachers Association is making his rounds, visiting many communities across the province.

Larry Boo, who took over as the ATA president last July, says that many of the problems facing schools, especially schools in smaller communities, can be attributed to serious under-funding.

Some of the problems that Boo says he is constantly hearing about during his visits include things like deteriorating school buildings, busing issues, the inability to offer full programs, student fees and fundraising.

"I'm very sympathetic of the underlying problems, but we need to ask the bigger question. Why is there this chronic and serious underfunding of schools in Alberta?" Boo said.

Boo also questions the Alberta government about this lack of funding in the schools.

"Why are there huge surpluses in the province and huge deficits in the schools?" he said.

"The government has a business plan for education, but doesn't have an education plan."

Boo says that in the past parents have put the blame on the principals and school board trustees about their schools having no money, but says that they are no longer doing this.

Boo says that parents are now looking to their MLAs when they see a problem with their child's educational experience.

Boo says that the funding formula has to change as to how the government distributes education dollars.

As it is, every school in Alberta receives the same amount per student they have attending. Boo says this is great for the big schools, but that the smaller rural schools just can't make it on that amount.

"The government can only see the expenditure," he said. "They have to see the investment as well."

In addition to garnering more government financial input, Boo is also a big supporter of the new children's authorities that have recently been formed.

"If kids are hungry, they don't learn," he said. "Poverty is one of the biggest disabilities facing children today."

Because of all the problems Boo sees facing education in Alberta on a daily basis, he has gotten behind a new vision that has been created by several of Alberta's educational partners.

Groups like the ATA, the Alberta School Boards Association, the College of Alberta School Superintendents and the Association of School Business Officials of Alberta have recently created a "Vision and Agenda for Public Education."

The agenda outlines 22 necessary conditions that need to be in place for the Alberta educational system to work to its fullest degree.

Some of these necessary conditions include things like full day kindergarten for those who would benefit from it, small class sizes, early intervention programs, safe school buildings and facilities, and a safe and caring environment for students.

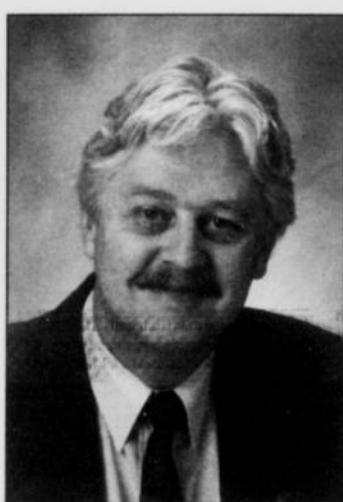
Boo says that this agenda has been taken to government and now the groups have to build support for the direction they wish to go.

Boo said that this agenda will be presented to school councils across the province and is hopeful that 1,700 councils will take a good hard look at it.

"This is an attempt to start some dialogue and then establish some direction," he said about the agenda.

Boo says that the agenda has been well received thus far and that Minister of Learning Lyle Oberg has even gotten behind it. Boo says that he has been consultative throughout the process of developing the agenda and that he agrees with the proposal and now has to try and find the funding for it.

To have a look at the entire document, you can log on to [www.teachers.ab.ca](http://www.teachers.ab.ca).



# Draft Land Use Bylaw complete

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He says that the new LUB and the current Municipal Development Plan will work hand-in-hand to better outline rules and regulations concerning development in Didsbury.

The draft LUB has been compiled by Wigg and Allison William, the contract planner for the Town. It has been reviewed in detail and edited by the Municipal Planning Commission as well.

"We've had a very detailed review and have come up with a draft of a new Land Use Bylaw that is substantially different from the previous one," said Wigg.

Wigg says that the draft is much more detailed and is tailored specifically for the Town of Didsbury, although it is still guided by the regulations of the Municipal Government Act.

There are many changes and new issues addressed by this draft LUB, including the addition of five new land use districts within the Town.

Wigg says that two new residential-type districts have been added to those already in existence.

One will be a multi-family, high density district and the other is a combination of residential and commercial, which will allow for businesses like bed and breakfasts and restaurants within a residential area.

An institutional district has also been created, which will re-zone the land that buildings like the hospital and churches sit upon.

Wigg says this new land use area will create areas of spe-

cific use for the buildings included in it, which will give the public more say in what is happening around them.

"In the future the property will have to be rezoned," said Wigg.

"This way the public will have much more involvement in the final say."

Changes are also planned for what can currently be included in a Light Industrial (II) zone. Wigg says that the Town is broadening the spectrum of businesses that are allowed within this zone, to include things like offices, convenience stores and parking facilities.

"We've tried to expand the uses in many of our districts to make them more appropriate," he said.

Another difference in the new LUB that Wigg highlights is that if the draft is approved, anyone owning more than four dogs is now considered a kennel and need to have a development permit.

Wigg says that with all these changes mentioned in the draft LUB, people need not be worried that they have to rush out and get permits for their property.

He says that all buildings legally existing on the date the LUB is legally changed are considered to be "legal non-conforming uses" and may stay until such time as their use changes or is discontinued for a period of six months.

Wigg is hoping that the draft LUB will be granted third and final reading by Town Council at their meeting on June 28, 2000.

"We've tried very hard not to rush the process," Wigg said

of receiving council's approval.

By law, the Town is required to place ads concerning this change in the local newspaper and to hold a public hearing concerning the changes to the LUB.

They are also required to notify each property owner in a zone or adjacent to a zone that is being changed by letter, to let them know what the changes will mean.

Something that the Town is not required to do by law, but will be doing to help the public better understand the impact of the new LUB, is to hold open houses concerning the document.

"The open houses are not a regulation, but we feel this document is for the Town of Didsbury, and not just for me," he said.

Two have been scheduled for this month, one was held yesterday, and the other will be held on April 29 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Didsbury 5-0 Club.

Wigg encourages people to attend and review the new by-law and give feedback to Town officials who will be in attendance.

"We would like to have public input on the document prior to it going to first reading so we can make changes now that the public may feel are appropriate," Wigg said.

Copies of the draft LUB will be available to the public at the open houses.

"We definitely want the public's input to make sure what we've come up with is a good working document for the Town of Didsbury," Wigg concluded.

# Kindergarten remains at 400 hours

## ... and other school board notes

By Nicole Smith

### 400 hours for now

The Chinook's Edge School Division board has decided to keep the number of kindergarten hours as is.

At their March meeting, it was suggested to increase the number of hours on a trial basis at four schools within the division to 450 hours.

Their hope was that in the long run the extension of hours would increase the learning received and decrease the development of any learning needs.

At their meeting on April 5, the board decided against going ahead with this pilot project, at the recommendation of the principals within the division.

The principals felt that the cost to increase kindergarten hours was too significant and felt that they just couldn't stretch their dollars any further than the allotted 400 hours.

They said that it is a definite possibility in the future, but right now they don't want to take away from any other programs that their schools offer.

The funding for this pilot

project would fall on the school board, and infinitely the schools.

"We would hope the province would see the importance of early literacy and fund it accordingly," said Chair Roy Brassard, about the lack of funding.

### Tender committee formed

Because some major renovations will be taking place at three schools within the school division, an ADHOC Committee for Tender Approvals has been formed.

Trustees Penny Archibald, Stuart Little, Doug Campbell and Joyce Langston will join Assistant Superintendent Lyall Thompson in approving tenders for the renovations of Olds Elementary, Delburne and Spruce View Schools.

### Board declines offer

The board recently received an offer from Alberta Infrastructure to purchase some surplus property in Bowden.

The cost to the board would be somewhere in the \$500,000 range to acquire this land.

"This is not something we need

or desire," said Thompson.

The board voted unanimously to decline the offer from Alberta Infrastructure.

### Call for submissions

The board recently received a request from the Alberta School Boards Association to submit any issues that they wish to have put forward in the 1999 ASBA Annual Report.

The board felt that they have a number of programs and issues they would like to mention, including things like the Bridges program, the extensive professional development offered to CESD staff and the value put on lifelong learning in the division.

"I think that we're doing enough exciting things in this division that we should let people know about it," said Brassard.

### Science Fair recognition

Many students within the CESD have done extremely well at recent science fair competitions, both locally and regionally.

The board felt that it would be appropriate to send each student who placed a letter of congratulations.

# OPINIONS EDITORIAL

## Punishment?



Nicole  
SMITH

I've come to the conclusion that God has a really twisted sense of humour.

He must to keep punishing us with all this winter weather.

It's either that, or God is getting back at us for doing something really bad this past year.

It snows and then it's sunny and beautiful. We pull out our sandals and shorts and then it snows again and it's back to boots and heavy jackets.

Quit teasing us already!

When I used to live in BC, I would have been delighted to have all this fresh powder to ski upon, but because Didsbury isn't really a metropolis of winter activity, I'm just getting tired of it.

One day we're watering our lawns and preparing our spring bulbs to be planted, and the next we're shovelling our driveways and trying to get our vehicles started. Make up your mind.

According to a rather outspoken cosmetic-counter lady, I need to spend some time in the sunlight. She told me that she's never seen anybody like me before and that I "have absolutely NO colour in the face."

"Dear, you really should spend some more time outside," she told me.

Well, lady, how can I when I'm at risk of frostbite! I'll be even whiter then and might not make it through with both my ears intact.

I'm also tired of this treacherous weather because of all the accidents it causes. This past week there were more than I can count on both my hands.

I'm responsible to go and take pictures of these accident scenes, but when the fire department is telling me not to bother going because the roads are so bad, then there's something wrong.

Give me sunlight! Give me summer!

This next week is supposed to be pretty nice. We'll enjoy it and get sucked in again, thinking that the cold days are over.

But then, we'll get slapped in the face with another snowstorm and all our hopes of having normal seasons will be distinguished.

Hopefully you can read this over the sound of my teeth chattering and my body shivering.

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## Klein's legislature speech failed to bail out Bill 11

*A Press release from CUPE*

Despite Ralph Klein's pedal-to-the-metal PR campaign, a new poll shows he's spinning his wheels when it comes to changing public opinion of Bill 11.

The Canadian Union of Public Employees released a poll on April 11 which indicates that the Premier's speech in the legislature did not change anyone's mind on Bill 11 and that only 40% would be prepared to vote Tory in the next election. The Bill will allow extra billing and create private, for-profit hospitals in Alberta.

"It's not just that Klein's speech failed to turn his Bill 11 fiasco around," said Terry Mutton, President of CUPE Alberta. "It's also that it is affecting his party's popularity and the Bill isn't even passed yet. Some Tory MLAs in our smaller urban centres and rural areas will be in for quite a ride in the next provincial election."

Asked which party would they vote for if an election were held today, only 40% of respondents said they'd vote for the Premier's party. The poll shows that, while Edmonton remains

the centre of opposition to Bill 11, displeasure is spreading to the small urban centres and rural areas.

Although the sample sizes are small, they provide a telling snapshot. The Tories face mounting problems in smaller centres where 48.2% said that passing Bill 11 will make them less likely to vote for the Premier's party. Only 11.8% said it would make them more likely to vote for the Tories. Even in rural Alberta, there are consequences for the governing party as some 52.6% oppose Bill 11.

Nearly two thirds of those opposed to the Bill said tinkering just won't cut it, that no amendments can fix this legislation. Even if overnight stays

were banned, 68% said it would not be enough to change their minds about Bill 11. The one exception was on the issue of extra billing. 71% of those who are opposed to the Bill would welcome an amendment which banned extra billing.

"Albertans clearly understand that the key issue isn't just overnight stays, it is also extra billing," said Mutton. "Albertans know that Bill 11's main purpose is to shift the costs of health care to patients, especially the costs of new technology, prostheses and surgical techniques. Bill 11 is trying to use the Calgary eye clinic model of extra billing to reduce the government's commitment to public health care."

## Chretien gives the "Trudeau Salute"

The Prime Minister has sunk to a new low in his treatment of Albertans with the appointments of Tommy Banks and Jack Wiebe to the Senate.

Mr. Banks may be a popular Big Band musician but he doesn't have the democratic support of Albertans. The Prime Minister knows this but insists on playing the same old tune. 'Ignore Democracy' is a classic Chretien tune and Albertans are getting tired of hearing it.

In a province-wide vote held October 19, 1998, Albertans selected two candidates with an overwhelming majority. They garnered more votes than all 26 Alberta Liberal candidates in the 1997 federal election combined.

I think the PM owes Albertans an apology for breaking an election promise, giving democracy a slap in the face and effectively giving us the 'Trudeau salute'. Incredibly the Prime Minister still wonders why the Liberals don't have support in the West. It is exactly this type of arrogance and disrespect which has been directly responsible for feelings of Western Alienation.

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# OPINIONS EDITORIAL

## Talks of imposing PST in Alberta

Alberta Liberals will oppose any move by Ralph Klein and Steve West to bring in a provincial sales tax, says Sapers.

Acting Provincial Treasurer Steve West is talking about bringing a provincial sales tax to Alberta, says Alberta Liberal Treasury Critic Howard Sapers.

Sapers was referring to comments made Monday, April 3 by the Acting Provincial Treasurer on second reading of the Bill 19: *the Alberta Income Tax Amendment Act, 2000*. The Acting Provincial Treasurer said: "It's easy to put in a percent here, an 8 percent surtax on certain tax brackets, but it's very hard to remove them once the animal starts to feed on them. That's a good reason never to bring in a sales tax in this province until all the other taxes are gone or lowered."

"Albertans are already well aware of this government's historical attraction to a provincial sales tax. It's been a pet project of the Premier for years. Now the Acting Provincial Treasurer seems to have confirmed the government's real agenda when it comes to tax policy - the imposition of a provincial sales tax. Steve West needs to tell Albertans when the definition of the tax burden threshold will be to trigger the imposition of his provincial sales tax," said Sapers.

Sapers pointed out that in the 1992 P.C. leadership campaign Ralph Klein speculated on the feasibility of a provincial sales tax in response to the Canadian Manufacturer's Association questionnaire. Ralph Klein said at the time: "If a sales tax should ever be implemented, it would only make sense to harmonize it with the GST to minimize the disruption and costs of collecting the tax."

In February 1994, the government-commissioned Alberta Tax Reform Commission said: "A sales tax gives Albertans the largest degree of choice." And in October 1998, the government-appointed Alberta Tax Review Committee said: "However, there may be potential advantages to a consumption tax, the issue may warrant further discussion and debate by Albertans."

Now that Ralph Klein's right-hand man is talking about a provincial sales tax, Albertans have a right to know what this government is doing behind closed doors when it comes to tax policy in Alberta. "Perhaps, the Acting Provincial Treasurer is thinking about amending his own Alberta Taxpayer Protection Act," said Sapers.

## Liberals, NDP and BQ vote against Aboriginal Rights

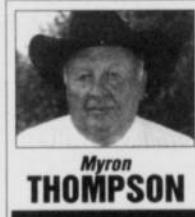
I was disappointed that his Private Members' Bill C-222, the First Nations Ombudsman, was defeated by the very parties who claim to be protectors of aboriginal rights.

Many Canadians enjoy the privileges of an Ombudsman. The only people that don't have an Ombudsman are aborigines living on the reserves. A great opportunity was missed yesterday to restore equality, accountability and democracy on First Nations Reserves.

The inspiration for Bill C-222 came from Leona Freed, the President of the First Nations Accountability Coalition. After travelling from coast to coast last year meeting with various aboriginal communities, Ms. Freed felt it was crucial that aboriginal people have an ombudsman who would serve as a vital tool in their fight against fraud, mis-

management of band funds, and electoral irregularities which have become commonplace on Canadian reserves. Bill C-222 would have established the office of the First Nations Ombudsman thereby allowing any aboriginal person to lodge a complaint of corruption without fear of reprisal from officials, and with confidence that all allegations would be investigated with complete neutrality.

Today we have a situation where grassroots aborigines have no one to turn to in their fight for accountability. The Department of Indian Affairs, the RCMP and the chiefs and council have proven themselves to be a source of national shame. I want everyone to know that the fight has just begun. I will be re-introducing this Private Members' Bill and I won't rest until it becomes legislation.



Myron  
THOMPSON

## Ponderings of the heart

By Margaret Fradley

### Who is this Jesus?

-born of a virgin - whom they called "Emmanuel" - God with us  
-who's name is wonderful - counsellor - the Mighty God - The Everlasting Father - the Prince of Peace  
-who was born, not in a palace, but in a stable for there was no room in the inn  
-who was sought out by humble shepherds who heard the heavenly host  
-who was visited by 'wise men' following a star - bringing costly gifts  
-who is this Jesus who at twelve was heard talking to and asking questions of the doctors and teachers  
-of whom John the Baptist said "Behold the lamb of God"  
-who following His baptism experienced the descending of the spirit and a voice saying "This is my beloved son of whom I am well pleased"  
-who resisted the temptations of the devil with "It is written"  
-who chose twelve ordinary men to follow him - one a much despised tax collector, another a doubter, one who would deny Him - another who would eventually betray Him.  
-who went about doing good - teaching - preaching - healing  
-anointed to preach the gospel to the poor - to heal the broken hearted to preach deliverance to the captives - and recovery of sight to the blind - setting at liberty them that are bruised  
-who is this Jesus who reached out healing the lame, the blind, the dumb, the maimed.  
-who fed 5000 with seven loaves and two fish  
-of whom it was said "The common people heard Him gladly"  
-who spoke of 'turning the other cheek' - going the second mile - the number of hairs on our heads - the falling of a sparrow - the beauty of the lily sowing seeds - a lost sheep - a lost coin and lost son  
-who loved sinners - forgave their sin - restored the lost -  
-who taught us to love as He loved us - to forgive as He forgives us  
-who is this Jesus who said of himself "I am the Bread of Life" - "The Light of the World" "The Resurrection and the Life" "The way the truth and the Life"  
-who lived only 30 and 3 years  
-who was welcomed with palm leaves and shouts of "hosannah"  
-who later heard the cries "Crucify Him - crucify Him"  
-who carried not weapons - but a towel to wash feet  
-who was a man acquainted with grief  
-who was betrayed with thirty pieces of silver  
-who bore our griefs - carried our sorrows - was wounded for our transgressions - was bruised - for our iniquities - and by who's stripes we are healed"  
-whom they delivered unto death - crowning Him with thorns  
-of whom Pilate asked "Are you the King of the Jews?"  
-who loved us so much - he spread out His arms on the cross and died for our sin - that we might live  
-who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross -  
-who on the cross said "Father forgive them" - "Today thou shalt be with me in Paradise - Son behold thy mother - mother behold thy son"  
-who cried "I thirst" - he who had so freely given of the living water  
-who lived - died - was raised from the dead that we might have eternal life.  
-whom God raised from the grave that could not hold Him  
-who is this Jesus who is the author and finisher of our faith - the first and the last - the Alpha and Omega  
-who remains the same yesterday - today and forever  
-who promised that He would never leave us or forsake us  
-who said "Come unto me all ye that labour and I will give you rest"  
-who cries "If any man thirst let him come unto me and drink"  
-who is this Jesus - He is the Son of God - He is God  
-He is the Lord and Lord and King of Kings  
-before whom every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that He is Lord

## Bill 11 Consistent with Canada Health Act

From Alberta Health and Wellness

Bill 11, the *Health Care Protection Act*, is in full compliance with the Canadian Health Act, according to a legal review released by Health and Wellness Minister Halvar Jonson.

"There have been many suggestions by opponents of Bill 11 that the legislation might in some way contravene the principles of the *Canada Health Act*," said Jonson. "This independent legal review shows that Bill 11 does not in any way violate the *Canada Health Act*."

The legal review was conducted by Chris Levy, Professor of Law and Adjunct Professor of Medicine,

at the University of Calgary. The Department of Health and Wellness commissioned the review. It found:

- Bill 11 does not violate and is in compliance with the *Canada Health Act* in its overall scheme, in any combination of its specific provisions, and in each individual provision.

- Bill 11 does not in any way violate any of the five Program Criteria in the *Canada Health Act*.

- Bill 11 neither mandates nor requires any implementation strategy that would violate any aspect of the *Canada Health Act*, and in particular, any of the five Program Criteria.

• The *Health Facilitates Li-*

*censing Act* in Saskatchewan creates a process for licensing and regulating private facilities that is much less strict and allows a wider range of services than does Bill 11.

This legal review, along with the recent comments by the Prime Minister and the federal Health Minister, should put an end to any suggestions that Bill 11 might not be consistent with the principles of the *Canada Health Act*, said Jonson. He added, "Our intent has always been to demonstrate our commitment to the principles of the *Canada Health Act* and to a quality publicly funded health system. This review shows we have met that commitment."

# FROM THE MAILBAG

## Notes from Nigeria



Dear family and friends,

If we were to give a headline for this letter it would be "EXPLOSION ROCKS THE PALACE". Friday night just before midnight I was awakened by what I thought was an explosion.

I woke Dan and he said it was just the wind.

After looking out the window I

assured him that there wasn't any wind. I went around the house checking out each window to see if I could tell what happened. There wasn't even a lot of commotion or people talking. So I eventually went back to bed.

The next morning when we went out for our morning walk we found out what had exploded. "The Palace" is a small (less than 400 sq. ft.) house between our house and the chapel. At about 11:50 p.m. the water heater exploded taking with it the whole corner of the house. The walls of the house are made of baked brick and cement and are about a foot thick. All of the windows shattered and glass was thrown as far as 50 feet from the house.

The metal frame of the front window was blown completely out of the house. A couple of windows in the chapel were also broken. Ceiling board was spread in all directions with at least one piece landing about 60 feet up in a tree. The wood frame for the roof was broken and blown through the corrugated tin on the roof. The inside wall and bathroom door were blown across the living room to rest against the bedroom.

There was incredible power in the explosion. At the time of the explosion Dorothy Nelson, a Danish gal, out as a short term volunteer, was asleep in the bedroom. She has been here for several weeks helping out at Pineview Hostel. Her normal schedule was to stay at the hostel until the high school students went to bed (11:30 on Friday nights). She would then go to her house and get ready for bed which would have very likely put her in the bathroom or living room at the time of the explosion. She hadn't been feeling well so decided to go to bed early.

If you were to look at the house you would wonder how anyone could have survived without a major injury but Dorothy has just a small scratch on her arm. She is not sure how she got that but may have gotten it while she was trying to make her way through the debris and out of the house.

We have asked for prayer for protection and God has faithfully provided for us and for others at the school.

One of the students after viewing the destruction asked the question we were pondering. "How could she have been in the house and not been hurt?"

His father's answer sums up how we all live here. "The grace of God. It was only through His grace."

In less than two weeks we will be on our way home to Canada and the US. It is amazing how many things we have to take care of to leave even for just 3 months.

Leaving school early and needing to get substitutes up to speed just adds to what must be done. Armed with our "To Do" lists we are making progress. As we work to complete one list we are writing another list for the next day. The lists are getting shorter as the time draws closer and we complete some of the major tasks. It will be good to have a few days at home before we start on the Canada lists of doctor appointments, seeing friends and family, visiting churches and later getting ready to come back.

I am sure the time will fly.

See you soon,  
Janet for the Snyders

# TOWN OF DIDS BURY

Town Office: 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.	335-3391
Shop Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.	335-8343
Landfill Site Hours: 1 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.	
Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.	
Didsbury Aquatic Centre Schedule:	335-8653
Memorial Complex & Aquatic Centre	335-7369

Library Hours: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues.-Sat.	335-3142
10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Wed.	
Lions Recycling Centre	335-8193
Main Street Project Office	335-3265
Rosebud Valley Campground	335-8578

## PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF DIDS BURY AMENDMENTS TO LAND USE BY-LAW 95-6

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of Didsbury has passed first reading of By-laws to amend the present Land Use by-law 95-6 as follows:

1) That portion of land described as Lot 4, Block J, Plan 2484 JK be redesignated from I3 (Special Industrial) to I1 (Light Industrial), as per the attached map.

A public hearing prior to second and third reading of the proposed By-law will be held April 26, 2000, commencing at 6:30 p.m. in the Council of Chambers of the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office.

The hearing will be conducted under the chairmanship of the mayor, or his designated person, for the purpose of hearing opinions and comments and/or objections to the proposed By-law.

The style of the hearing will be informal and persons wishing to speak will be requested to state their name and address for the record upon being recognized by the Chairman. Opportunities to speak will not be restricted, but recognition to speak will be at the discretion of the Chairman.

The public may inspect a copy of the proposed Land Use By-law amendments at the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office during regular office hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.



DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION of this notice: April 12, 2000

DATE OF SECOND PUBLICATION of this notice: April 19, 2000

Robert Wigg  
Planning and Development Officer

## New Development Permit Applications

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

DP 30 - 00	2202 - 19 Street	Demolition	I3
DP 33 - 00	1301 - 20 Street	Change of Use	I3
DP 34 - 00	1714 - 20 Avenue	Bus Depot	C1

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Ave. Or by calling 335-3391.

Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on May 3, 2000.

Robert Wigg - Development Officer.

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Town Office  
Town of Didsbury  
Public Meetings

Regular Council: Apr. 26  
Community Services: Apr. 25  
Corporate Services: May 10  
M.P.C. May 9  
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# Amendments to Bill 11 introduced

Health and Wellness Minister Halvar Jonson has introduced government amendments to eight subject areas of Bill 11, the Health Care Protection Act, to further strengthen protection for the publicly funded health system.

Stated Jonson "Throughout the development and debate on Bill 11 we have been listening to Albertans, to health professionals and to other groups and organizations. The amendments we have brought forward respond to many of the concerns we heard and give us stronger health protection legislation."

Among the key amendments introduced were:

- Strengthening the prohibitions against anyone paying to jump the queue by making it also illegal to give faster access to an insured service through the purchase of an enhanced product or service or an uninsured service.

- Prohibiting a public hospital, a surgical facility or a physician from charging more than the product cost and a reasonable allowance for administration for the sale of enhanced medical goods or services in connection with the provision of an insured service.

- Ensuring that a review of the efficient use of existing capacity in public hospitals is considered as part of the determination of whether there would be a benefit in contracting out a surgical procedure.

- Clarifying Section 23, the Privative Clause, to demonstrate that while a decision of the Minister under the Bill is final and conclusive, the decision is subject to judicial review if the Minister does not follow the requirements of the Act or makes a totally unreasonable decision.

- Ensuring that health authorities monitor physician practice within the health authority to be certain that the College of Physicians and Surgeons conflict of interest and ethics bylaws are not violated.

The Regional Health Authorities Act and the Cancer Programs Act will also be amended to require health authorities to adopt conflict of interest bylaws for board members, agents, senior officers and employees of the authorities. Such bylaws would also require the approval of the Minister. Failure to follow those bylaws could result in withdrawal of a facility's designation.

- Putting into the legislation a clear process to be followed by the Minister of Health and Wellness to withdraw designation of a surgical facility when the circumstances under which a designation was first approved have significantly changed.

- Clarifying that health authorities are contracting and paying for facility services only with physicians paid through the Alberta Care Insurance Plan in the same way as for surgery in public hospitals.

- Further clarifying in the Bill that it is the council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons that will determine what minor surgical procedures can be safely performed in a physician's office. It will also clarify the requirement that major dental surgeries may be performed only in public hospitals and the requirement for consultation with the Board of the Alberta Dental Association to define major dental surgery. The College of Physicians and Surgeons will define all other major surgeries.

"The amendments reflect the broad and diverse input received from many Albertans, in particular key groups such as the Alberta Medical Association, the Alberta Chamber of Commerce, the College of Physicians and Surgeons, the Alberta Association of Registered Nurses, and the Alberta Dental Association. As well, the College will be involving other health professions, such as nurses, in developing the standards for inpatient surgical services," said Jonson.

He added "We have listened to Albertans and we have responded. Bill 11, in its amended form, will provide strong protection for our publicly funded health system; strong protection for Alberta patients; and help Alberta build a stronger foundation for our health system of the future."

"Facility fees are illegal. Queue-jumping is illegal. Private hospitals are illegal. Surgical facilities will only be able to do insured surgeries, including less complex surgeries requiring overnight stays, when there is a clear benefit to our public health system. And Albertans will not pay for insured services."



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# Possible reduction in county taxes discussed at meeting

By Leah Payne

A three per cent reduction in county taxes was one of the many things discussed in the Mountain View county 2000 budget.

The economic growth of the county was one of the many reasons that the county has decided to make the reduction in the tax rate.

This reduction translates into any ratepayer who had no additions or improvements to their property in the last year would see a three percent decrease in their tax levy for municipal purposes. However, in practice because of varying market value growth for properties in the county, each ratepayer will see a differing decrease of increase of their tax bill depending on where they live within the county.

Councilors in attendance supported the decrease in the tax rate but were concerned that economic growth may not continue as it has, which would force the tax rate back up.

Bryn Jones, Director of Finance for the county, assured the councilors that the county has experienced enough growth in the last few years to support the reduction. He also stated that the growth showed no indication of letting up just yet.

Other points of significance arising from the meeting were:

- an \$120,000 increase in investment income. This was caused by higher interest rates.

- salaries and wages of county employees increased three per cent.

- a one time increase in grant money to the Sundre Airport Commission.

- \$117,000 has been included in income from the Cartairs Annexation agreement.

- \$15,000 was added to the fire protection budget for training at Water Valley.

- \$150,000 has been budgeted to construct a road to open the Dyck Pit.

- special agricultural projects of a hydrological study, needs assessment, and

intensive livestock and water quality management.

A small surplus of \$82,000 was budgeted in this year's budget. If this money is not needed during the year, it will enhance the working capital position of the county.

While there were a few individual concerns, the councilors felt the budget was fair and a good stepping stone for years to come.

"I am forecasting this year as a break even year," he said.

## Gibson appointed acting superintendent

By Nicole Smith

On the heels of CESD Superintendent Herb Fader's resignation, the board has appointed Jim Gibbons as Acting Superintendent until the position is filled.

Gibson is currently the Deputy Superintendent for the division and "the Board is pleased to have such a capable person to step in and ensure ongoing continuity of the operations of the division during the interim," a press release from the board said.

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# Lifestyles

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## Memories of Didsbury's final grain elevator

By Nicole Smith

With the Agricore grain elevator scheduled for demolition later this month, many people around town are reflecting on better times for the elevator.

Two such people are Emmert W. Gault and Ernie Fredine, both former employees of the final elevator left standing.

Back when these two gentlemen worked in the elevator, it was known as the Alberta Wheat Pool elevator, not Agricore.

Gault started working in the second of two Alberta Pool elevators that sat along the railroad tracks in town. That elevator was torn down several years ago.

Gault worked in an Alberta Pool elevator in Drumheller Valley and left his position there to join the Air Force during the war.

After three years of flying during the war, he returned to a position at the Irricana elevator and then asked for a transfer to the Didsbury elevator so that his wife could be closer to her family.

Gault grew up on the family farm outside of Calgary, where he worked for a while. After realizing that farming wasn't his calling, he got a job working for the Alberta Wheat Pool.

"It was the only way I could get off the farm," Gault remembers. "Those were hard times on the farm, so when I got a chance to work on the elevator, I took it."

Gault reflects on his time in the elevator and how the job was quite stressful at times.

He says that he was the only person employed at that elevator at the time and says that he was always busy. During harvest time he could

expect to put in many long days helping the farmers get their grain off.

Gault retired from the Alberta Wheat Pool elevator in the early 1970s.

A couple of years later, in 1975, Fredine began his career at the Alberta Wheat Pool elevator.

Fredine's feelings about the work were along the same line as Gault's.

"It was stressful," he said. "Anytime you're dealing with a large number of the public, it's stressful."

Fredine remembers putting in long hours as well, sometimes working from 7:30 a.m. to as late as 11 p.m.

Fredine was a bit more lucky than Gault though, having a couple other people working alongside him in the old elevator.

Fredine retired from his position in 1997, after putting in 34 years at the elevator.

"It had its good times and its bad times - like anything," Fredine said.

Both gentlemen remember when there were more than just one elevator along the tracks. There used to be five altogether, including the two Alberta Wheat Pool elevators, a UGG elevator, a Federal Grain one and a Pioneer elevator.

When asked whether Agricore's decision to close down the final elevator was a wise one, both agreed that it may not be. But, both have seen it coming for a long time because of how competitive the market is.

As this final elevator is torn down in the upcoming weeks, there will no doubt be many people remembering the high times of the grain trade in Didsbury.



**REMEMBERING WHEN**  
Emmert W. Gault and Ernie Fredine stand in front of the last grain elevator left standing in Didsbury. Demolition of this elevator is scheduled for this month.

Photo by Nicole Smith

## South West Didsbury news

By Bessie Eckstrand

25th Wedding Anniversary congratulations go to Karen and Werner Reinhardt who celebrated by hosting an 'open house' at the 1/2 Century Club Carstairs on Sunday, April 9th. About 130 relatives & guests signed the register.

Son - Nathan was M.C. for the program of speeches & jokes to honour the Bride & Groom.

Present for the occasion were the honoured couples - 3 boys & Nathan & (Bride to be for July) - (Krista Goerzen),

### Johnathon & David.

Parents - Cicely & Rayden Shantz were present also Karen's triplet sister Carol & husband Bruce Smith also Brothers Dennis Shantz.

Everyone had an enjoyable time and wished the couple many more Happy Years together.

A Family Supper was held in hall following the Open House.

Friday evening, April 7th West Zion Mennonite Church hosted a most delicious Roast Beef Supper for about 130 con-

gregation and area folk in a 2 mile radius of their New Church. Pastor Jim Miller welcomed everyone at the door & friends showed the guests around the New Church addition.

It had been 2 years in building, is very up to date and it is very beautiful and spacious, and is to be a Community Church for all Believers to share in the Message of Hope, Life and Forgiveness to do the work of Jesus.

April 11 & 12 the West Zion

Mennonite Ladies put together 25 quilts to be used for Missions. The Church people have been very busy lately and weather co-operated to the fullest.

April 11th Didsbury Health Services by Dawna Faryna "Volunteer Co-ordinator" hosted a Wine & Cheese Appreciation Party for the Hospital approximately 120 volunteers.

The Assembly Room was tastefully decorated with flowers and balloons and posters

in purple and yellow. Everyone enjoyed the lunch of cheese and crackers and fruit. Birthday or Volunteer's Cake.

Appreciation Certificates & door prizes were drawn and the Motto for the day was: "Shine a little light on someone's life. The more you give the more you shine."

Date to note: Knox UCW Spring Tea will be held on Saturday, May 6th - Bake Table, Plant Table & Collectables will be for sale. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**

Volunteer Coordinator for the Didsbury Hospital, Dawna Faryna, presents Volunteer of the Year Brenda van Hecke with a plaque and congratulations for her outstanding effort at the hospital. 114 volunteers were honoured at a ceremony last Tuesday afternoon.

Photo by Doug Artindale

## News from the Dragon's Den

Congratulations to all of the Grade 9 and Senior High students who achieved Honour Roll status for the first reporting period of Semester 2. In order to qualify, the High School student must have a minimum of 80% in his/her top 15 credits.

**Grade 10:** Sarah Banick, Jody Dalziel, Christy Eckert, Kaylee Kinch, David Kosinski, Stephanie Leiper, Jennifer Lunt, Phil McNeil, Robert McWhinney, Courtney Nadeau, Greg Overgaard, Tina Pascoe, Elaine Sanderson, Susan Tucker, Lindsay Viney and Jessica Youngs.

**Grade 11:** Jennifer Aarts, Erica Blakely, Chelsea Buick, Lisa Dahl, Sarah Ferguson, Christi Fillmore, Josh Forestell, Adam Marsden, Michell Papineau, Ebony Roberts, Karla Shultz, and Stephanie Thomas.

**Grade 12:** Ryan Dalziel, Teresa Hildebrandt, Darren Jacobsen, Kristy Johnston, Robert McNeil, Steven Mutschall, Kaja Prokopetz and Deanna van Dam.

In order for a student to achieve Honours in Grade 9, he/she must have a minimum of 80% average in the four core courses and one option.

**Grade 9:** Elizabeth Blakely, Justin Braun, Jonathon Clark, Nathan Dahl, Rachel Forestell, Kimberly Gole, Elisha Jackson, Stacey Jensen, Logan Luft, Kendra Milne, Maegan Neufeld, Katrina Saina, Christine Ta and Christine van Besouw.

Need help preparing for Diploma Exams? Grade 12 students

writing Diploma Exams should purchase either The Edge or The Key. These two publications are available for most diplomas exam courses and contain questions from previous exams. The Edge is \$5.00 and The Key is \$8.00. Copies are available at the office.

If any parents of grads have any rose bowls, icicle lights with black or green chords or black tarps, please contact Michelle Lucas or Stacey Luft-Haeberle. These items will be used for grad decorating.

The Grade 9 students will be travelling to Red Deer College on Wednesday, May 3rd to participate in the Economics of Staying in School. Parents, please sign the parental consent form and return to the school as soon as possible.

The Grade 9 Language Arts classes are very busy working on the various projects of their Explore the World Unit. The project will culminate with an exhibition day in the gymnasium on Thursday, May 10th. Students will set up their kiosks, serve finger foods representative of their country, answer questions, and present skits. Parents are welcome to attend. More information will come home with the students closer to the day.

The Students' Council is hosting the last, and largest dance of the year to celebrate the end of May Monarch. Come out, dance, have fun and witness the crowning of the May Monarch King and Queen. Remember that the winning grade gets free admission to the dance. Parents, if you are interested in chaperoning the dance please contact Aimee Hunter, Mrs. Petersen or Mrs. Wirth during school hours. Thank you to the parents who came out to Parent-Teacher Interviews and to the Grade 9 Parent Meeting. We appreciate your efforts to work with us to better your children's education. Enjoy the Easter Holidays!

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## Ross Ford Report

By Marissa Pratt, Carley Patten, Rebekah Nussbaum, Emma Harris, Dayna Hadway and Randi Anderson

Exciting activities are always happening in classes at Ross Ford School. This week we visited three classrooms.

Rebekah and Randi visited Mr. Bullivant's Grade 4 classroom where they were making friendship bracelets. The reason for this project was to show the students how Indians hand made decorations for their clothing. The class will be using embroidery thread and safety pins to make by hand their friendship bracelets.

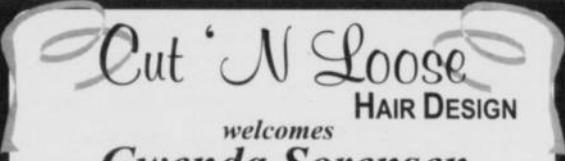
Miss Christensen's Education Plus group was visited by Dayna and Emma. Fourteen Grade 3 students participated in making their own rain sticks, which are hollow wood tubes filled with kitty litter and the ends are plugged. Rainsticks are used to make the sound of rain. The Education Plus students decorated their rainsticks by painting, coloring, and by putting tinsel on them. This group of students will be performing two

poems and playing their rain sticks while the school sings "Little April Showers" at the April 19 assembly. "I am a little nervous and really excited to play my rainstick in front of the school. I also had lots of fun and learned a few things," said Yasmine of 3A. Nathan of 3C said, "I'm not nervous! I learned how to insert a picture into a word processing document on the computer." We know they will have a great performance.

Carley and Marissa went to Mrs. Jensen's Grade 3 class where they had two special guests. Corporal Christensen was a police officer in the Arctic and he brought a Narwhal tusk to show the class. The tusk was as tall as the classroom ceiling. Mrs. Wannamaker and her daughter Rachel brought in their sled dogs and the sled they use for racing.

In science Mrs. Jensen's class is doing a building unit. For their next project they will be building furniture out of clothes pins.

Thank you to the classes that let us visit and share what they are doing in their classrooms.



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## HEALTH AUTHORITY 5 Action for Health Call for Proposals

Health Authority 5 extends an invitation to community groups and programs in our regions to submit proposals for funding for Action for Health initiatives. The projects proposed will be guided by the following principals:

- Adopt a health promotion and disease prevention perspective
- Community based, where local citizens are key players in identifying the need, and are involved with planning and implementing the program or project
- Influences the determinants of health: Income and Social Status, Social Support Networks, Education, Employment and Working Conditions, Physical Environments, Personal Health Practices, Healthy Child Development, Health Services

• Built on community partnerships

Proposals must include:

- Statement(s) of Need
- Goal
- Objectives
- Target Population
- Expected Outcomes
- Evaluation Plan
- Budget

Proposal Deadline May 31, 2000

Submit proposals to: Health Authority 5  
Action for Health Committee  
Box 340  
Three Hills, Alberta  
T0M 2A0  
PH: 403-443-5355

**PICTURE PERFECT**

Kent Mullen, on behalf of grandmother and artist Joyce Mullen, along with Gene Hartmann of Contemporary Graphics, presented DHS principal Iain Paton with the final print in the trilogy of heritage buildings of Didsbury. The latest print is titled "The Hiebert House," a limited edition of 300 prints which now on sale.

## The upside of downtime

By  
Marilyn  
Logan

I am not fascinated with cars. To my mind these mechanical beasts are designed for this purpose: to get owners to their destination safely and without incident. I know many would disagree. I have been privy to innumerable ego enhancing dialogues over the years

during which owners pontificate on the virtues of various makes, models, colors, torque and horsepower, not to mention preferred wheel cleaners and vinyl protectants. My eyes usually glaze over during these conversations while a benevolent smile emerges.

It is not surprising then that I had a rather disconcerting experience (some would call it a "duh" moment) in the parking lot of a local grocery store. I had to pick up a few items. Since my two dogs became shamelessly blissful while travelling in the rear compartment of my old blue station wagon, I decided to take them along. I parked near the front entrance, checked to see that the windows provided adequate ventilation, then locked the door as I got out.

When I returned to the vehicle a few moments later, I set the grocery bags down while I scrounged in my purse for keys. Suddenly I noticed that the lock on the door was open. Strange! However, having one less thing to contend with, I quickly opened the driver's door, set my bags on the passenger's seat, and eased into the car. I then proceeded to insert the key into the ignition. It didn't seem to fit. I tried another key with the same result. As I pondered what to do, I noticed that instead of the usual pungent odor of dog breath, the smell of lavender permeated the air. I tried desperately to fit all these pieces of information together. Somehow things just didn't feel right. My eyes wandered to the dashboard; the instruments had been rearranged. Surveying the car further, I experienced a delayed flash of intuition: I was in someone else's car!

I quickly opened the door, grabbed my bags and scrambled out of the car, all the while scanning the lot to see if anyone had spotted my faux pas. The coast seemed clear. Examining the exterior more closely, I noticed that although this car was the same color as mine, it wasn't even a station wagon. Oh dear! I looked at the car parked next to this one. My dogs were giving me that look: what on earth are you doing?

I hastily rounded the car and unlocked the station wagon. I can honestly say that I have never exited a parking lot so quickly. As I glanced in my rearview mirror I noticed a frail older woman opening the door of the car I had just abandoned. My hope was that she had paid more attention than I to her vehicle's description.

Moral: Life's journeys begin with the right key.

## Bancroft Women's Institute update

The April meeting of The Bancroft Women's Institute was held at the home of Susan Page.

The cheery opening to the meeting was the song 'There are Smiles'. Members then related some of their Easter traditions.

Plans for the Constituency Conference April 26 Church of God, Carstairs, were finalized.

We are looking forward to the afternoon feature speaker, Brian Keating from the Calgary Zoo.

The general public is invited to attend.

Midway Community Park is gearing up for another busy summer. Daniel Fisher will again take on duties as park caretaker.

The Provincial Women's Institute annual conference will be held May 26-27 at Olds College.

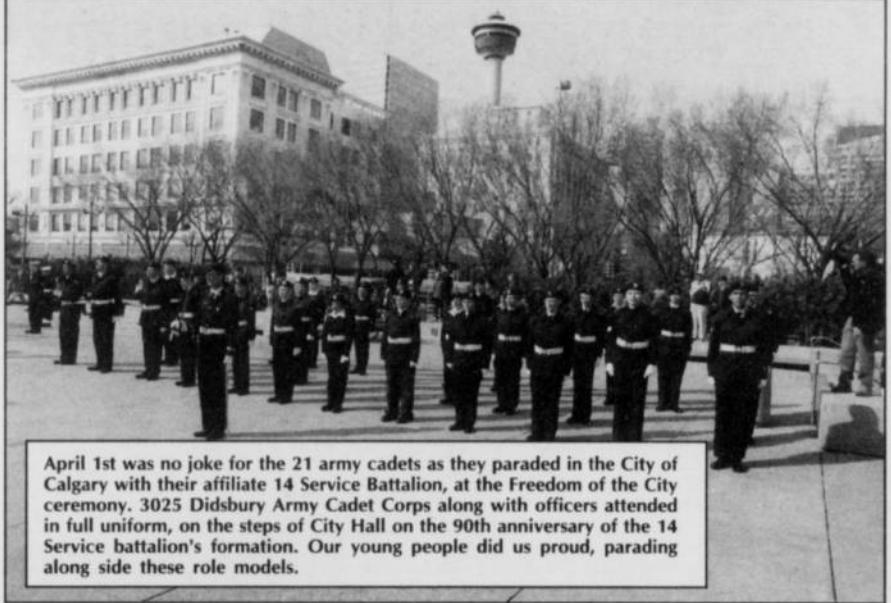
Susan Page will represent

the Bancroft Women's Institute. The UFA are planning a Safety Workshop this summer for children ages 6 to 12. They are enlisting aid from local organizations.

Under the direction of Education Chairman, Elsie Brander, members viewed the video 'LINKS! (Linking Institutes and Neighbors with Knowledge and Skills). Statistics show that about 22% of Canadians cannot read or write and 26% are uncomfortable with reading and have difficulty with comprehension. In a 'Neighbor helping Neighbor' program we can assist with banking, shopping and prescriptions.

Lunch was provided and served by Joan Patterson and Jean Swanson. Lil Kurtz had the lucky tea cup.

Next meeting will be at the home of Pat Vantetering, May 8, 1:30 p.m. Visitors Welcome!



April 1st was no joke for the 21 army cadets as they paraded in the City of Calgary with their affiliate 14 Service Battalion, at the Freedom of the City ceremony. 3025 Didsbury Army Cadet Corps along with officers attended in full uniform, on the steps of City Hall on the 90th anniversary of the 14 Service battalion's formation. Our young people did us proud, parading along side these role models.

## 3025 Didsbury Army Cadet Corps

Tulips for all, the commemorative Legion tulip bulbs will be available soon.

The residents of Didsbury will be delighted to know that the cadets from 3025 Didsbury Army Cadets will be canvassing the town on Monday May 1st on behalf of the Legion in Cartairs. Cadets and their parents will be around to homes between 18:30 and 2100 hours (6:30pm to 9pm) taking advance orders on these very special

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## TOWN OF DIDSURY PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE LAND USE BY-LAW

The Town of Didsbury is pleased to announce that the draft of our new Land Use By-Law is ready for public review. There are two open houses scheduled to present the draft and receive public input to the new document. Once information is received the Municipal Planning Commission will present the bylaw to council for adoption and further public hearings.

DATE:	April 18, 2000
LOCATION:	Multi Purpose Room, Memorial Complex
TIME:	4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
AND	
DATE:	April 29, 2000
LOCATION:	Five-O Club, 2500 - 15 Avenue
TIME:	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

The purpose of the Open House is to present the draft of the proposed new Land Use By-law that the Town of Didsbury has been working on over the last year. The Land Use By-law is a by-law that sets out various land use districts for residential, commercial, industrial, recreation, and institutional uses and contains the rules and regulations that govern development within these districts. The Land Use By-law is the document that will implement the policies of the Town's new Municipal Development Plan.

This is your opportunity to participate in the preparation of a new Land Use By-law for the Town of Didsbury. Please join us to discuss this document.

For more information, please call the Planning and Development Department at 335-3391.



# Ladies of the Royal Purple support the community



## Donation time ...

Top left: Shirley Thompson, District #5 Deputy and Honoured Royal Lady Sue Pratt, present Manager of Recreation and Facility Services for the Town Rhonda Hunter with a \$500 cheque from the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children.

Top right: HRL Sue Pratt presents Jennifer Lunt with a \$100 cheque for her upcoming sailing trip.

Middle left: Jesse Ahlgrim receives a \$100 cheque from HRL Sue Pratt for his upcoming trip to Vancouver to study Marine Biology.

Middle right: HRL Sue Pratt hands Jacqui Burch a \$50 cheque to go towards the operating costs of the Zella WI Girls Club.

Bottom left: Laura Pochapsky is granted a \$100 cheque from HRL Sue Pratt to go towards the 1st Didsbury Pathfinder's upcoming Panterra sailing trip.

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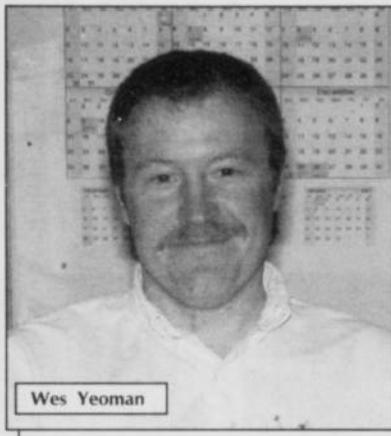
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# Faces

a brief glimpse of people and events in our community



Wes Yeoman

## Environmental Board Celebrates Arbour Day

Didsbury's Environmental Advisory Board provides advice to Town Council on all environmental issues with the town, and has been instrumental in many fabulous projects over the past six or seven years.

"They help us with designing green areas

in our new developments, advise the Town on the way they prune their trees, and tree replanting programs," says Wes Yeoman, Staff Liaison.

"They were instrumental in setting up the 3-bag limit for garbage collection, in their efforts to promote recycling and reusing."

The Board's next project is set for Saturday, May 6, the day Mayor Ray Lea has proclaimed as the celebration of Arbour Day for the Town of Didsbury. There will be a ceremonial tree planting at the Nature Reserve by Westglen Middle School, and students at Westglen and Ross Ford Elementary will be receiving seedlings to take home and plant. The Environmental Board also reviews all new development permits, and makes recommendations for green space parks and walkways. An ongoing project is the design of appropriate walkways in and around the perimeter of the town.

"The membership is very strong right now," says Wes, "but they're always looking for more help and ideas."

Anyone interested in promoting green spaces and proper attention to the environment in Didsbury is invited to contact the Town at 335-3391, or any of the present members, including Chairman Bob Davidson, Rodger Logan, Colleen Gustavson, Pauline Wigg, Loretta Copeman, John Rusling, Martina Eckert, Deborah Whitmore or Gerard Fournier. And don't forget to get out for our Town's Arbour Day Celebrations.

## Crisis Management Help Line

Unique in their approach to mental health, the Alberta Mental Health Board provides leadership and advice in planning and delivering a continuum of integrated mental health services for Albertans.

A division of the Alberta Mental Health Board, the Crisis Management Help Line is a fabulous service offered to people experiencing emotional or psychiatric crisis.

When an individual is experiencing fear, anxiety, confusion, or discomfort and is unable to cope, they're as close as a toll free number for help. The crisis may be the result of a stressful event or a fear of threat to the individual, who may be unable to use their usual coping mechanisms to resolve the crisis.

The Help Line serves the communities of central Alberta and is available 24 hours daily, seven days a week. Professional staff with Distress Line Training and Mental Health expertise provide confidential service to individuals, family members, and community agencies dealing with emotional or psychiatric crisis.

The staff will listen non-judgmentally and may be able to identify some ways of dealing with current situations effectively.

They can also provide information about services available in our community, including doctors, churches or other local agencies that provide assistance to those in need.

Alberta's community mental health clinics offer a range of free mental health services. The impact of crises on an individual, family, and their communities can be reduced by timely intervention.

If you find yourself in need of help, the toll-free Crisis Management Help Line is 1-800-779-5057.

## United Church Spring Tea

The Knox United Church will be holding its annual Spring Tea on Saturday, May 6 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., and all reports are that it will once again be a great success. "I did a little research and we've been having our tea for 29 years, since 1971," says UCW President, Shirley MacMillan. "It's always held the first Saturday in May, and this year's will be really good too," she continues. In addition to the tea, the UCW sets up various tables and invites people to check out the specials. There is a Baking table in the entryway to the church that features bread and buns, cakes and squares, and loaves. "The baking table sells out fast," says Shirley, so she recommends that folk come at the beginning. Just in time for summer planting, the Plant table features both bedding out plants and houseplants. "People sometimes have too much for their own gardens and bring the extras to the tea," says Shirley. "There's some very good stuff." A special treat for the treasure hunters is the Whatnot table that features items people have collected and never used. There might be baskets, decorations, dishes, books, and all sorts of other goodies. In addition to all the shopping people can do, they are encouraged to stay and visit with their friends. "They can shop and buy baking, or whatever they see they might want," says Shirley, "and the tea and dessert is just \$2.00." The funds raised at the UCW Spring Tea are used to help their mission and all the many wonderful projects the group supports, including Operation Eyesight, the Lions Bus, and the Thrift Store. It's a wonderful way to spend a couple of hours on Saturday afternoon, and everyone is encouraged to come out and see all the treasures and have a visit.



Shirley MacMillan



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## Weekend in Didsbury Winner

The Town of Didsbury had a booth at the Calgary Home and Garden Show at the end of February, and the winner of the "Golf Weekend in Didsbury" is Jone Wong from Calgary.

After she received her phone call, Jone said, "I remember the booth. They had a nice display with a wallhanging of buildings and schools. It was quite impressive." The Didsbury Chamber of Commerce sponsored the contest and all reports were that the booth at the Home and Garden Show was a great success for Didsbury, increasing awareness of our town and sparking some interest amongst developers and businesses, as well as people like Jone.

"I just thought Didsbury was a little town, but this sounds like a lot to me," says Jone with a smile in her voice. Jone's weekend for two includes golfing at the Didsbury Golf Course, breakfast at the Didsbury Inn, admission to the Didsbury Aquatic Centre (including the waterslide), two lunches, one at the Country Nook and one at the Tea Cozy & Gift Shop, dinner at the Wheatland Restaurant, one night accommodation at the Super 8, coffee liqueurs from AG Foods, flowers from Countryside Florists, and all sorts of other goodies. According to Judi Newsome, Chamber Secretary, "everyone was quite willing to provide products or services for the special weekend. We're fortunate to have such incredible support from our business community." Jone couldn't agree more. "I'll find out all about Didsbury when we come up. We're really looking forward to it."

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# WAY OF LIFE RELIGION

## Focus on the Family



James C. Dobson, PH. D., is founder and president of Focus on the Family, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home. Dr. Dobson is married, the father of two grown children, and resides in Colorado. For 14 years he was an associate clinical professor of pediatrics and the university of Southern California School of Medicine, and served for 17 years on the attending staff of the Childrens' Hospital of Los Angeles. He has also been heavily involved in governmental activities relating to the preservation of the family.

**QUESTION:** How do you feel about homework being given in elementary schools? Do you think it is a good idea? If so, how much and how often?

**DR. DOBSON:** Having written several books on discipline and being on the record as an advocate of reasonable parental authority, my answer may surprise you: I believe homework for young children can be counterproductive if it is not handled very carefully. Little kids are asked to sit for six or more hours a day doing formal classwork. Then many of them take a tiring bus ride home, and guess what? They're placed at a desk and told to do more assignments. For active, fun-loving youngsters, that is asking too much. Learning for them becomes an enormous bore instead of the exciting panorama that it should be. I remember a mother coming to see me because her son was struggling in a tough private school. "He has about five hours of homework per night," she said. "How can I make him want to do it?" "Are you kidding?" I told his mother. "I wouldn't do that much homework!" Upon investigation, I found that the elementary school that he attended vigorously denied giving him that many assignments. Or rather, the school didn't give the other students that much work. It did expect the slower boys and girls to complete the assignments they didn't get done in the classroom each day, in addition to the regularly assigned homework. For the plodders like this youngster, that meant up to five hours of work nightly. There was no escape from books throughout their entire day. What a mistake! Excessive homework during the elementary school years also has the potential of interfering with family life. In our home, we were trying to do many things with the limited time we had together. I wanted our kids to participate in church activities, have some family time, and still be able to kick back and waste an hour or two. Children need opportunities for unstructured play — swinging on the swings and playing with basketballs. Yet by the time their homework was done, darkness had fallen and dinnertime had arrived. Then baths were taken and off they went to bed. Something didn't feel right about that kind of pace. That's why I negotiated with our children's teachers, agreeing that they would complete no more than one hour per night of supervised homework. It was enough! Homework also generates a considerable amount of stress for parents. Their kids either won't do the assignments or they get tired and whine about it. Tensions build and angry words fly. I'm also convinced that child abuse occurs at that point for some children. When my wife, Shirley, was teaching the second grade, one little girl came to school with both eyes black and swollen. She said her father had beaten her because she couldn't learn her spelling words. That is illegal now, but it was tolerated then. The poor youngster will remember those beatings for a lifetime and will always think of herself as "stupid." Then there are the parents who do the assignments for their kids just to get them over the hump. Have you ever been guilty of doing that? Shame on you! More specifically, have you ever worked for two weeks on a fifth-grade geography project for your 11-year-old — and then learned later that you got a C on it? That's the ultimate humiliation! In short, I believe homework in elementary school should be extremely limited. It is appropriate for learning multiplication tables, spelling words and test review. It is also helpful in training kids to remember assignments, bring books home and complete them as required. But to load them down night after night with monotonous bookwork is to invite educational burnout. In junior high classes, perhaps two hours of homework per night should be the maximum. In high school, those students who are preparing for college must handle more work. Even then, however, the load should be reasonable. Education is a vitally important part of our children's lives, but it is only one part. Balance between these competing objectives is the key word.

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## Way of life: Church hopping

The week of March 20-24 saw people from several different congregations fellowshiping together from church to church every night. It was a GREAT week! There seemed to be a momentum building throughout the week until it seemed no one wanted to leave the last meeting, visiting together over coffee and cookies. After 15 years of living and ministering in this town, I can truly say this was a breakthrough week.

Why?? An example was given of Baskin-Robbins Ice Cream. You and I can go in and I have a chocolate chip cone and you have pistachio; do I say, I have ice cream but you don't or vice versa? No, that would be silly. We prefer different flavours but we still both have ice cream.

So, we travelled around from Didsbury to Carstairs and back again. These Lenten services were an answer to Jesus' prayer just before he died. In the garden of Gethsemane, just before his arrest and crucifixion, Jesus prayed these words, "That they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me and I in You; that they may believe that you sent Me." (John 17:21) This is what Jesus died for; are we taking it seriously? Are we giving this passion of his heart enough weight?

Do you know, that we didn't just "show up", but we actually prayed for and blessed each church we were in. This was a BIG STEP forward. And the following Sunday after many of the people in our church family had been "church-hopping" all week, we had one of the most powerful services we've ever had in 15 years!! COINCIDENCE?? I don't think so; I think God blessed us for making this week a priority. It certainly was for Him. He died for this kind of unity and blessing.

Psalm 33:15 tells us that the Lord sees us individually and deals with us individually. Yes, there are certain standards that

set us apart as "Christians". And, within that sphere, there is lots of room for differences. What, then, does it mean to be one? I kind of think it means to value all of the body of Christ and not think we're the only ones with the "real" ice cream. This kind of self-righteousness is disgusting to God and completely the wrong spirit to show the world.

But when people see us visiting each other's "houses" of worship and RESPECTING each other's distinct and unique flavours without judging or criticizing, maybe then, more people in our communities will actually be interested in coming to ANY of our buildings.

Let's not disdain Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. It's Easter and we celebrate the fact that Jesus really did come back from death to life so that we could do the same. We'll celebrate it in different ways; there will be different "flavours" in our services but we're acknowledging Jesus together. We can celebrate that!!

## Museum Musings

by Marg Weaver

The monthly museum meeting was held April 12th.

Arrangements were finalized for the Annual Pioneer Supper. As well as Fund Raising ideas for the coming months.

Watch the Review for these events, our next event will be in May. And then we will have the "Plant Sale". Items left over from our Auction Sale, will be sold at a Garage Sale combined with other outdoor activities.

Evelyn Adams is back with us again and between her and Bill Parker they will make sure the museum grounds are in good order again.

We hope to get the "Commemorative Plaque" on the fence very soon to honour the "Year of the Senior" and our 3 young trees, which seem to have come through their first winter in good shape.

We are anxiously trying to find copies of "Echoes of an Era." We seem to have mislaid the only copy we had at the museum, if it was borrowed, could we please have it returned, but if it has been lost, we are hoping someone has a copy we could have. Any of you, who have read this excellent publication know it is one of the best sources of local history in print and we used to refer to it often to find items for people who phone in for historical information.

Remember our "Plant Sale" when you're digging your gardens, we are looking for donations of plants you no longer need, or if you are thinning out Perennials you already have, we will welcome the cuttings for this event.

If you don't have tickets for tonight's Dinner at the Elks Hall, you can get a ticket at the door for \$12.00 See you there.

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### Fortress Baptist Church

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Pastor Jim Warkentin + 335-4878

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### Berghal Mennonite Church

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Worship Service at 10:55 a.m.

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### Redeemer Lutheran

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1500 - 23rd Street

Rev. Robert Mohrs

Church 315-3161/Res: 335-3656

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Study Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sun. 10:30 a.m.

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### West Zion Mennonite Church

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2030-24 Ave. Didsbury Phone 336-3084

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### Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church

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Pastor John Lucas 335-8927

Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Worship Service: 11 a.m.

### Knox United Didsbury

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# Business

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## Carstairs 4-H Steer Show changes date

With the new millennium, many changes have happened. For the Carstairs 4-H steer show & sale, tradition has been broken, we too have changed.

Our steer show & sale will no longer be held in June. We have moved it up to Wednesday, May 31. For all of our many sponsors and supporters, please note this new date. We will have approximately 68 head of steers at our show and sale coming from the West Didsbury, West Carstairs, Cremona, Prairie Partners and Big Sky 4-H clubs. Our new club that has joined us in our show and sale ranks is the Big Sky 4-H club. They have members from the Carstairs and Crossfield area and are under the leadership of Murray Foster and Paula Schmick.

The Carstairs 4-H show-sale committee and club leaders are looking forward to this new date of May 31 in the Carstairs arena. We hope that you will be able to join us for our 58th annual show & sale.

## CWB Bulletin

### At a glance:

The CWB's Annual Report for the 1998-99 crop year is now available. To receive a copy of the report farmers are encouraged to call 1-800-275-4292. The report has been audited by Deloitte and Touche and is the first since the election of the CWB directors.

A group of agricultural scientists from China are visiting the CWB on Monday, April 10 to learn more about CWB operations and various varieties of wheat available from Canada.

The Board of Directors of the CWB will be meeting in Brandon, MB, on April 12 and 13, 2000. Farmers are invited to a reception to meet the Directors from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on April 12 at the Victoria Inn.

### From elevator to port:

Rail car unloads for all grains for week 36 (week ending April 9) were 3,624 at Vancouver (target: 3,300) and 1,083 at Prince Rupert (target 1,200). Rail car unloads at Thunder Bay totalled 1,985 cars (target: 2,680).

Primary elevator space (for

week 36) was 24 per cent, compared to 21 per cent the week before. Manitoba elevators averaged 24 per cent space, Saskatchewan elevators averaged 26 per cent space and Alberta elevators averaged 20 per cent space.

### FOB forward:

Gord Flaten, Director of Market Development, and Eric Ordonez, Marketing Manager for Latin America and the Caribbean, are meeting with customers in Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Chile.

Last year these markets accounted for just over 1.2 million tonnes in wheat sales.

### Potpourri:

For the second year in a row Canada's domestic milling and melting industries were the CWB's largest customer group. Wheat sales in Canada totalled 2.2 million tonnes.

The next largest customer was Japan at 1.3 million tonnes. Domestic malting barley sales were almost 1 million tonnes.

The U.S. was the second largest market at 555 000 tonnes.

## Agri-news briefs

### Varieties of special crops

A new Agri-Facts factsheet, Varieties of Special Crops for Alberta (Aged 140/32-1) includes information on tests completed throughout Alberta by the Special Crops Program of Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development's Crop Diversification Centre South. The factsheet provides information about what grows and what doesn't in different areas in the province.

Four areas within Alberta are identified: south, east central, west central and Peace. Crops tested include: field pea - yellow, field pea - green, dry bean (narrow row), dry bean (wide row), mustard, fababean, safflower, sunflower (non-oil type), chickpea, canary seed, lentil, grain corn hybrids, silage corn hybrids.

The 1999 grain corn yields and the 1999 silage corn yields are also included in the factsheet. Producers can pick up these free factsheets at any Alberta Agriculture district office. They are also available at the Alberta Agriculture Publications Office, 7000 113 Street, Edmonton, AB T6H 5T6.

The factsheet is also available on-line at Alberta Agriculture's website at <http://www.agriculture.gov.ab.ca/navigations/sustain/water/index.html>.



### CONSTRUCTION BEGINS

The day has finally come that construction has begun on the new RCMP detachment. Many Town officials and RCMP personnel turned out for a ceremonial sod turning last Thursday, despite the blowing snow. Pictured from left to right are: Town Engineer Wes Yeoman, Planning and Development Officer Robert Wigg, Community Constable Greg Hnatuk, Sergeant Ron Platz, Mayor Ray Lea, Councillor Don Watt and Councillor Gordon Quantz.

## \$3.27 million to Grain Quality Testing Research

The Government of Canada has committed up to \$3.27 million to help grain producers and industry work together with researchers to develop rapid grain quality testing techniques. The funding, announced today by the Honourable Andy Mitchell, Secretary of State (Rural Development) (Federal Economic Development Initiative for Northern Ontario) on behalf of Agriculture and Agri-Food Minister Lyle Vanclief, comes from the Western Grain Transportation Adjustment Fund.

"Customer satisfaction is key in the grain business," said Mr. Mitchell.

"This initiative will help Canada maintain its competitive edge in international grain markets and strengthen rural communities in Western Canada by providing the tools for a more flexible, responsive quality assurance system."

Research funded under this program will require industry partners to match the federal funding. In recognition of the need to provide farmers options in varietal selection and to meet customers' specific requirements, the Canadian Wheat Board has committed \$1.5 million to this initiative.

International demand has led to the development of many new specialty grain varieties in

money announced today will support the development of automated grain quality testing techniques to keep pace with customer demands and new developments in plant breeding technology.

Funding under the new initiative will go toward projects that investigate new techniques that can be used to complement the current system. One potential example is the use of DNA analysis. "Accurate measurement of the quality of grains and oilseeds before they are sold is a hallmark of the Canadian

quality assurance system," added Mr. Mitchell. "The technology developed through this initiative will build on that excellent system by reducing reliance on visual grading."

The Canadian Grain Commission is coordinating the research and development initiative. Two committees, an industry committee and a technical committee, have been formed to oversee the process and the results. The committee members represent a cross-section of industry, including government and other research institutions.

## Olds Auction Market Report

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### Butcher Cattle:

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700 lb steers 112 to 134; heifers 110 to 126;

800 lb steers 105 to 120; heifers 102 to 117;

900 lb steers 100 to 112; heifers 98 to 109;

1000 lb steers 96 to 106; heifers 93 to 103;

Bred Cows 930 to 1275;

Cow/Calf Pairs 1110 to 1470; Holstein Steers 600-1000 93

## Revised schedule for ID Program

Revisions to the Canadian Cattle Identification Program are welcome at the Alberta Cattle Commission (ACC).

"We heard from producers who told they needed more time. We met with the Canadian Cattle Identification Agency (CCIA) and they agreed," says Greg Conn, Alberta Cattle Commission (ACC) vice chairman.

The program begins as planned on December 31. However, any cattle that leave their herd of origin don't have to be tagged until July 1, 2001 but we encourage producers to start tagging before then.

"From July 2, 2001 to July 1, 2002, enforcement will be in the form of education and awareness. This will give time for communications with producers. We can talk to them and explain what's going on," adds Conn.

He feels many points raised by producers have been addressed and believes there is now time to address any additional concerns in time to assure the ID program is effective and runs smoothly.

Carl Block, CCIA chairman, says that since Japan and Korea may have outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease resulting in halted beef exports, this further emphasizes the need to implement national identification of Canadian cattle herds.

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# Growing winter cereals

"Fertility is one of the keys to successfully growing winter cereals," says Grant Nelson, Alberta Reduced Tillage Initiative (ARTI), Stettler. "High yield potentials can only be met if sufficient nitrogen is made available to these crops."

A 40 bushel/acre winter wheat crop needs about 80 lbs/acre of nitrogen to grow. As it grows, a wheat crop takes nutrients from soil and fertilizer sources. Guaranteeing a good supply will increase the vigor and potential of this crop.

Side banding nitrogen with a double shoot system works well. Nitrogen should be placed at least one inch from the seed to avoid injury. If using a single shoot system, spring broadcasting nitrogen is effective. Ammonium nitrate (34-0-0) is more stable, but urea can also be used under the right environmental conditions. Apply just after the soil has thawed. Early nitrogen application is important as 90 percent of the plant's nitrogen requirements must be met prior to heading.

"Other nutrients should not be ignored when growing winter wheat," continues Nelson. "Phosphate, potassium and sulfur should be added if deficient in the soil. Potassium and phosphate are often placed with seed when single shooting to ensure that adequate amounts of these relatively immobile nutrients reach the young plants. Physiological leaf spot occurs when chloride is not present in sufficient levels for winter wheat. Providing potassium chloride when seeding is one way to prevent this problem. Soil testing helps determine if there are suffi-

cient nutrients to meet the crop's needs."

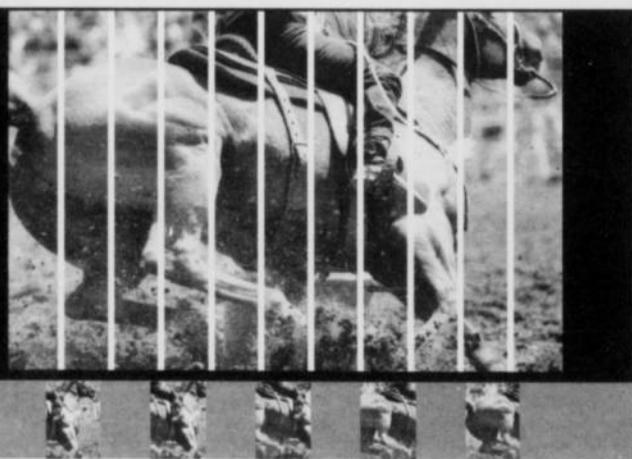
Weed control in winter cereals is usually less expensive than for other cereal crops. Wild oat control is seldom required, but should be monitored if the wheat stand is not growing vigorously in the spring. Winter annual weeds, such as stink weed and lamb's quarters, can be controlled with a late fall or early spring application of 2,4-D or MCPA. Winter wheat should not be seeded into fields where downy brome is present, although Sencor can be used in the spring. Glyphosate products applied in the fall prior to seeding will control most weeds which compete with emerging winter cereals.

Perennial weeds should be controlled the year prior to seeding winter cereals. Current varieties of winter wheat include: AC Bellatrix, AC Readymade, AC Tempest, CDC Clair, CDC Falcon, CDC Harrier, CDC Kestrel, CDC Osprey and Norstar.

Varieties of winter rye available include: AC Remington, AC Rifle, Danko, Kodiak, Musketeer and Prima. Winter Triticale choices include: Bobcat, Pika and Wintri.

There are many sources of information on winter cereals. The Alberta Reduced Tillage Initiative has a fact sheet called Direct Seeded Winter Wheat (Agdex 112/22-1). The Alberta Agriculture Field Crop Development Centre's 1999 Cereal Research Report has very good variety information. PAMI has a Direct Seeding Manual that covers winter cereals and many other aspects of direct seeding.

Dr. Rob Graff, Agriculture and Agri-Food Council's Winter Cereals Canada and the Alberta Winter Wheat Producers Commission were sources of information for this article.



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# Seeding intentions released

by Doug Walkey,  
Market Specialist,  
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Statistics Canada offers some of the highest quality agricultural statistics in the world. That's not to say they are perfect, just that there are few sources anywhere that can compete for consistency, and accuracy.

"New varieties of winter cereals with superior winter hardiness, disease resistance and quality characteristics are now available," says Nelson. "Selecting the right variety for the intended purpose is very important."

Winter wheat is often grown for its superior milling quality. It can also be used as feed. For further information, contact the nearest crop specialist, ARTI agronomist or other extension workers for help when making this choice.

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This year a snapshot summary of the projections includes:

Durum up 36%, Flax down 39%, Wheat (other) up 3%, Peas (dry) up 15%, Barley up 5%, Lentils up 15%, Rye down 27%, Canary down 5%, Canola down 11%, Chickpeas up 10%.

This is a partial list and should be taken in context as well. Chickpeas, for example, are

building on a large acreage base from last year putting estimates up to 165,000 ha for the 2000/01 crop year.

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada have gone a step farther and included price and yield forecasts with the area seeded estimates.

These calculations project net returns of \$35 to \$148/ha for spring

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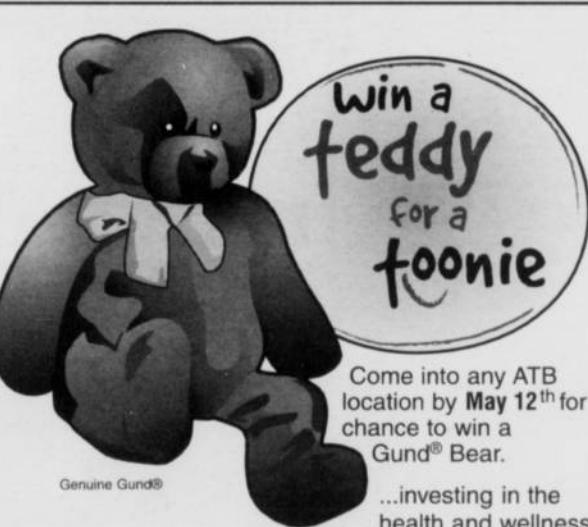
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# Provincial Advisory Committee on Public Safety and Sour Gas issues terms of reference

The newly formed province-wide Advisory Committee on Public Safety and Sour Gas has released its Terms of Reference and Operating Principles, pledging to engage the public in meaningful consultation during its review of sour gas safety issues in Alberta. The Committee will report their findings and present recommendations this fall to the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB), which acts as Alberta's energy industry regulator.

"The public needs to know that Alberta's regulatory framework for sour gas development ensures a high level of public health and safety, worthy of continuous public confidence," said Committee Chairman Gerry DeSorey. "I want to clarify that the term 'public health and safety' as used by the Committee includes immediate or long-term effects of short-term exposure to sour gas on human health. It does not include possible long-term or chronic effects of very low concentrations of sour gas on human health, because the latter is being dealt with through other initiatives."

By way of both public consultation and analysis, this multi-stakeholder Committee will evaluate existing sour gas policies, standards and regulations. The scope of this work will centre on a review of public safety related requirements as these are applied to the approval, development and operation of Alberta's sour natural gas resources. The Committee has also determined a series of principles under which it will operate. These include:

- Public Health and Safety are primary considerations in the decision making and reporting of the Committee.

- There is a range of legitimate rights amongst the various stakeholders.

- Public concerns respecting the safety of sour gas development will be addressed.

- Public participates openly in the decision-making process.

- Committee will endeavour to support its recommendations with scientifically based research.

- The Committee's information will be complete and factual.

- Technical Information will be presented in an understandable manner.

- The focus of the Committee's recommendations will be on prevention and continuous improvement.

As with the issue of long term human health effects, the Committee also clearly states that while it will not formally address or name recommendations on chronic animal health, sulphur recovery guidelines, flaring requirements or compensation matters related to a sour gas release, these matters will be discussed in the context of relevance to the committee's mandate.

"These types of issues obviously cannot be isolated from the work of the Committee, nor from the community," notes Gerry DeSorey. "But at the same time, our work

will result in a report and a series of recommendations that will be within our mandate. I believe this Committee will deliver a series of recommendations that will first and foremost be of benefit to the people of Alberta. As part of these recommendations and desired outcomes, we will also include a proposal for implementing our recommendations, and the use of a continuous improvement process."

In its Terms of Reference, the committee has listed its desired outcomes as being:

- Issues relating to sour gas development are prioritized and suggested actions developed.

- Committee members, the public and the EUB are more informed, knowledgeable and confident about sour gas Public Health and Safety issues.

- Revised requirements allow for better

resolution of current and future sour gas related issues.

- An understanding of how the recommended changes to requirements will affect the rights of all stakeholders.

- Clarification of the roles and responsibilities of the EUB and other authorities such as municipalities and regional health authorities is obtained.

- Recommendations that may effect changes or modifications to current technical and non-technical requirements, such as: revisions to emergency planning zone determination methodology; revisions to setback requirements; adoption of standards for hazard and risk assessment; revisions to emergency response preparedness requirements; revisions to public involvement expectations and research needs.

The Committee is now planning its public outreach program, which will consist of opportunities for Albertans to

present their views on safety and sour gas. The program will provide for input through a variety of methods which may include regional meetings, community groups and written submissions. An Advisory Committee on Public Safety and Sour Gas web site, ([www.publicsafetyandsourgas.org](http://www.publicsafetyandsourgas.org)) is now in operation and is being constantly updated.

Sour gas is natural gas that contains hydrogen sulphide, a toxic gas with a rotten-egg odour. Alberta has approximately 5000 producing sour gas wells, more than 200 sour gas processing plants, and over 10,000 km of sour gas pipelines. Sour gas is also present in crude oil, which is then referred to as sour crude oil.

Sour gas is found all across the province of Alberta as well as in Saskatchewan and British Columbia.

## Agri-news brief

The 1998 per capita consumption data was recently reported in the September 1999 issue of Agriculture Business Review. The report shows that Canadians, on average, consumed 52.2 pounds of beef and veal, compared with 71.6 pounds of poultry and 45.2 pounds of pork. The figures for beef and pork reflect what is purchased and taken home from the grocery stores, and most cuts of beef and pork are boneless. Poultry figures are based on the number of carcasses that go out from the packer. When considering boneless consumption, according to statistics published in the Royal Bank's Agriculture Business Review (02/00), Canadians actually eat more beef than pork or chicken. When comparing the three protein sources, after waste and fat are trimmed, and bones cut out, the 1998 per capita consumption was 46.77 pounds of beef; 42.33 pounds of pork; and, 34.35 pounds of chicken.

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# Rural thoughts: The budget through a rural lens

by Andy Mitchell, Secretary of State for Rural Development

Seeing the budget through a rural lens I was very pleased to see that the Federal Budget tabled by my colleague, Finance Minister Paul Martin on February 28, spells good news for rural communities, especially in the areas of small business, infrastructure, environment and natural resources. As Minister Martin said, "we must expand economic development in smaller communities right across the country."

The Budget addresses common concerns while providing the flexibility to accommodate the differences between the needs of urban and rural communities. The Budget also builds on our strong economy to ensure that greater prosperity is widely shared by all Canadians.

Small and family-owned businesses are found throughout Canada, but their impact is especially felt in small rural communities. Many of these businesses could benefit from a lower corporate tax rate and reduced tax on capital gains. The federal government will also invest an additional \$54 million over three years for the Community Futures Program which delivers economic support to small communities across Canada.

The additional funding will support the creation of new Community Futures Development Corporations and increase operating funds for individual corporations.

We will also invest \$80 million in the Business Development Bank of Canada in support of its financing activities.

Following up on a commitment made in the Speech From the Throne, the government will continue to improve both the economy and the quality of life of Canadians through a new five-year, physical infrastructure program, averaging roughly \$500 million a year. We will work with other orders of government on a plan to improve provincial and municipal infrastructure in cities and rural communities. We are also allocating another \$200 million per year over the next five years for safety improvements and to maintain

services to Canadians. These will include major repairs to federal bridges and wharves, many of which are in rural Canada, and the refurbishment of many federal laboratories.

All Canadians understand that clean air, clean water and healthy habitats are essential to a high quality of life.

The Budget clearly demonstrates that protecting our environment is a fundamental value for everyone. First, it provides \$25 million for a Green Municipal Enabling Fund to help communities, including rural communities, to determine the feasibility and best approaches to renewable energy, building retrofit, water conservation and waste management projects.

Second, it creates a \$100 million revolving fund, the Green Municipal Investment Fund. The fund will be used to support projects in areas such as energy and water savings, and waste diversion to strengthen the sustainability of communities.

The fund will lever additional money from the private sector, pension and other investment funds.

And in order to preserve natural habitats and species, the government is cutting, by half, the capital gains tax arising from the donation of ecologically sensitive lands and will be providing \$90 million over three years to protect species at risk.

Natural resources have always been a pillar of the rural economy - the forest industry alone employs 384,000 Canadians.

The Budget provides \$15 million for Canada's three forest research institutes and another \$15 million over three

years for geoscience for the mining sector. This will help ensure Canada's geological infrastructure continues to be state-of-the-art.

Agriculture is also a key rural industry and just days before the Budget, the Prime Minister came through again with an additional \$240 million in support for some farmers in Saskatchewan and Manitoba. Provincial contributions will bring the total to \$400 million in new funding. This is on top of the previously announced \$500 million for each of the years 2000-2001 and 2001-2002. We may also consider additional support for 2002 if grain prices and farm income have not recovered, provided an overall agreement with the provinces has been reached on support for farmers.

In response to the need to make government more accessible, a key rural concern, the Budget provides \$160 million over two years to design and

launch an initiative to offer federal government services on-line, giving improved access to rural Canadians.

Finally, the Budget will provide additional funding to strengthen federal policing, particularly in the area of organized crime, and improve policing services provided to provinces, territories and municipalities.

Overall, as Minister Martin said,

"This is a budget with many elements, but a single theme: creating better lives for Canadians in a rapidly changing world."

It goes without saying that Canadians in rural and remote communities stand to benefit as do their urban cousins.

If you have any comments on this column, or any other topics you would like to see addressed, please don't hesitate to contact me at:

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# Outcome of first WTO meeting encouraging

Agriculture and Agri-Food Minister Lyle Vanclef said on March 27 that he is satisfied with the outcome of the first session of the World Trade Organization (WTO) agriculture negotiations.

The meeting, held March 23-24 at the WTO headquarters in Geneva, led to an agreement on a work plan for the coming year which will allow Canada to voice its negotiating position announced by Mr. Vanclef and International Trade Minister Pierre S. Pettigrew last August. Mr. Vanclef says this outcome is in line with Canada's expectations for the meeting.

Canada's objectives at this first session was to ensure that a negotiating

process was established to allow Members to present their ideas and proposals for the agriculture negotiations, starting at the second meeting, which will be held in June.

"Canada continues to fight for the elimination of international subsidies," said Mr. Vanclef. "Trade-distorting subsidies create difficulties for the agriculture and agri-

food sector and I am committed to ensuring these talks move as quickly as possible towards a solution."

"Canada is committed to working tirelessly with

other WTO-member nations toward an agreement which will meet our expectations," said Mr. Pettigrew.

"I am pleased the talks on agriculture are

underway. The negotiations will take time but the Government of Canada will advocate in the country's best interests throughout the entire process."

## Jump in beef sales

Beef sales are on a roll. Canadian consumers are increasing their demand. According to the Consumer Panel of Canada, 1999 retail sales increased by more than \$70 million, an increase of just under five percent.

New results of the nomenclature program, which has assisted shoppers by incorporating cooking methods into packaging and rearranging meat counters so customers can identify products by how they are prepared, has proven to be the main reason for the increased sales.

"It's absolutely astonishing that retailers on the nomenclature program have experienced a 17 percent increase in total sales, versus an increase of less than three percent in beef sales for those not on the program," explains Glen Brand, Beef Information Centre (B.I.C.) national retail merchandising manager.

He says, "The good news for Canadian producers is not only the overall 15 percent jump in sales because of the program but the fact that the increase has come from cuts previously underutilized."

"Ground beef sales remain unchanged. The increased demand is for steaks and roasts with the most significant increase being for cuts from the chuck. Retailers have seen a 75 percent increase in chuck demand, a 12 percent increase for middle cuts and a 11 percent increase on hips." Brand adds that he considers the positive retail sales results as a stepping stone to further improving programs to increase beef demand.

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## Alberta Junior "A" Hockey League news

The Fort McMurray Oil Barons have won their second Alberta Junior Hockey League championship in four years with a sweep of the best-of-seven final for the Rogers AT & T Wireless Cup.

Fort McMurray defeated the Camrose Kodiaks 6-3 Tuesday night before 1,220 fans in Camrose to improve its playoff record to 12-2. The Oil Barons outscored the opposition 63-34 in the playoffs.

AJHL president Kim Marsh of Red Deer presented the Rogers AT & T Wireless Cup following the game to the Oil Barons captain Robbie Staudinger.

Oil Barons' goalie Brent Zelenewich was selected the most valuable player in the playoffs. Zelenewich had a league-leading 1.98 goals against average, .924 saves percentage and 12-1 won-lost record in 820 minutes in the playoffs.

Fort McMurray will play the British Columbia Hockey League champion in the best-of-seven Alberta-B.C. junior A championship for the Doyle Cup beginning April 21-22 in Fort McMurray.

The Chilliwack Chiefs led the defending BCHL, Mowat Cup, Doyle Cup and Royal Bank Cup champion Vernon Vipers 2-1 in the best-of-seven BCHL final prior to a Wednesday night game in Chilliwack. The BCHL champion will join the Oil Barons in the Royal Bank Cup national junior A championship May 5-14 in Fort McMurray.

Fort McMurray natives Scottie Upshall and Colin Murphy had one goal and one

assist each in the Oil Barons' Tuesday win. Shane Frank had two assists.

Murphy was Fort McMurray's leading playoff scorer with 10 goals and 19 points in 14 games.

He was second behind 16-year-old Upshall in league playoff goal scoring.

Upshall had 11 goals and was second among Oil Barons with 12 points in 14 playoff games.

Veteran Travis Gladue, Tyler Brough and Nathan Rosychuk tied for third among Fort McMurray playoff scorers.

Fort McMurray native Gladue had five goals and six assists in 11 games, Brough had the same totals in 14 games. Rosychuk had two goals and nine assists in nine games.

The Oil Barons were first overall during the regular season with a league record 106 points. They had 48 wins, 10 losses, four shootout wins and two shootout losses for an 18-point advantage over the Lloydminster Blazers in the North Division.

Fort McMurray beat the Bonnyville Pontiacs 4-1 in a best-of-seven North Division semi-final.

The Oil Barons also defeated Lloydminster 4-1 in the best-of-seven division final.

The Oil Barons' only previous championship was in 1997 when they beat the Calgary Canucks 4-3 in the best-of-seven final. The Oil Barons lost 4-1 to the Royal Bank Cup finalist South Surrey Eagles of the BCHL in the best-of-seven Doyle Cup.

## Local skaters excel in Lethbridge

Results from the Lethbridge Chinook Open Competition held April 7th, 8th and 9th:

Sarah Baker-Pre-preliminary Freeskate 1st, Pre-preliminary Elements 1st, Pre-preliminary Interpretive 2nd;

Caitlin Metka Pre-preliminary Freeskate 5th, Pre-preliminary Elements 2nd, Keats Shadow Dance 3rd;

Allison McCoy Pre-preliminary Freeskate 1st, Pre-preliminary Elements 2nd, Keats Shadow Dance 2nd.

Carley Dietrich Pre-preliminary Freeskate 1st, Pre-preliminary Elements 2nd, Pre-preliminary Interpretive 4th, Keats Shadow Dance 3rd;

Cassandra Dietrich Pre-preliminary Freeskate 1st, Pre-

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The Didsbury Figure Skating Club held their annual general meeting April 5th where the following awards were handed out to the Senior skaters.

Caitlin Metka-Runner-up to Most Improved Skater

Sarah Baker- Most Improved Skater

Carley Dietrich- Most Dedicated Skater

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Casey Collinge- Junior Canskate coach of the year

Serena St. Jacques- Runner Up to Overall Skater of the Year

Allison McCoy- Overall skater of the Year

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#### THE CONTESTANTS ARE ...

The Carstairs Rodeo Queen contest has three contenders for this year. From left to right: Shawna Henkel of Didsbury, Stacey Hannah of Didsbury and Joanne Mills (sitting) of Water Valley, will all be competing for the crown this spring. The girls were in attendance at the Carstairs Rodeo Appreciation Night Dinner and Dance, where they made their rounds selling raffle tickets and meeting community members. Bull Jangles, the CPRA mascot, was also in attendance.

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## ACTING OUT

The cast of Theatre Didsbury's latest production "The Senator Wore Pantyhose" once again played to a full house. This performance was a dinner theatre held by St. Hilda's Chapter 27 Order of the Eastern Star.

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# Children need seatbelts designed for children - not for adults

The horrifying crash in Quebec two weeks ago that killed seven children should serve as a reminder to all parents: adult seat belts do not adequately protect kids in a collision. Properly-used child safety seat belts or booster seats, however, can reduce the risk of a child being killed by 71 percent.

"Unfortunately, our research tells us that as many as 80 percent of children are not properly restrained in a vehicle," says Don Szarko of the MISSION POSSIBLE Traffic Safety Initiative. Currently, Alberta law requires children under the age of six who weigh less than 18 kilograms or 40 pounds to be secured in a properly installed car seat. There is no legislation to protect child passengers from 40 to 75 pounds, although all children who weigh less than 75 pounds should be secured in a car seat or booster seat - even if they're just travelling down the road. "After all, most collisions happen close to home," Szarko emphasizes.

Legislation or not, parents are responsible for their children's safety. That means ensuring their kids are correctly secured when travelling in any vehicle - whether it belongs to the parent, grandparent, baby-sitter, next-door neighbour or daycare provider. Unfortunately, many well-meaning parents are not even aware how to correctly use child seats, booster seats, or seatbelts.

The seatbelts in most vehicles are designed for adult occupants and are not appropriate for children under the age of twelve. The lap belt fits flat across an adult's strong thighs and the shoulder harness keeps the upper torso back during a collision. This system safely distributes the crash impact load over the adult's body. That same con-

figuration used on a small child is at best, ineffective. At worst, it can be lethal. Even in low-speed collisions, children restrained by a lap belt alone may pitch forward and strike their head on their own legs or on the seat in front of them. Furthermore, seatbelts designed to distribute the impact safely over an adult's body may apply dangerous forces to a child's vulnerable abdomen, chest or head.

More likely, children wearing adult seatbelts will be ejected because lap belts can't hold a child's small hips in place during a collision. On impact, small children pivot up and over the seatbelt. Their bodies will continue to move towards the point of impact striking objects or people inside the vehicle - or being ejected outside of it.

Neither is it appropriate to use a shoulder or lap belt combination on a small child. The shoulder belt is designed for a much taller person; during impact the child's body may twist out of the harness or the belt may exert dangerous pressure on the child's neck, chest or abdomen.

Another dangerous mistake is to use one seatbelt to secure two children. On impact, these children will move together at the same speed the vehicle is travelling and strike each other with tremendous force. A 50 km impact, for example, may leave both children with serious head injuries.

"We urge parents to learn correct occupant restraint usage by consulting their local health unit, or the Alberta Motor Association Government and Consumer affairs at 1-800-222-6578," says Szarko.

"If any good can come of the loss of seven children in Quebec, let it be that Alberta parents learn from this tragedy and protect their own children."

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CARSTAIRS

#### Annual Conference

The Wild Rose Constituency of the Alberta Women's Institute will be holding their annual conference on April 26 at the Carstairs Church of God. At 1 p.m. Brian Keating of the Calgary Zoo will be the guest speaker. All are welcome/no charge/a donation box will be at the door for the Conservation Fund for the Calgary Zoo.

### CROSSFIELD

#### Bards and Beef

On May 13, the Westbrook 4-H Multi-Club will present Bards and Beef: An evening of cowboy poetry and pickin' at the Crossfield Community Centre. Tickets are \$25 each, includes dinner and performance. 932-5555 for info.

### CARSTAIRS

#### RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.

#### CARSTAIRS T.O.P.S.

(Take Off Pounds Sensibly) welcomes new members. Meetings 7 p.m. Monday evenings at Carstairs Church of God. For info call Jean 637-3753, Darlene 946-4369 or Natalie 337-2351.

### DIDSBURY

#### HALL WALKING

Adults are invited to walk in the Westglen School corridors from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m., Monday through Thursday for fun and fitness.

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Meeting - Second Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265 RSVP

#### DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Joanne at 337-2614.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office... For info, call Wes at the Town Office at 335-3391

#### TOY LIBRARY

Kiddin Around Parents Club Toy Library: As of July 1, open Saturdays 10-11:30 a.m. and Tuesdays from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037-24 Ave. New members always welcome. Linda at 335-5868.

#### AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Roxanne at 335-8322 or Rick at 335-9525.

#### TIME OUT

Mom's Time Out and Dads Too. We meet Monday mornings from 10 to 11:30 a.m. (excluding holidays) Nominal babysitting fee. Redeemer Lutheran Church Ph. 335-9928.

#### KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info, call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

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St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info, call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

#### SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

### DIDSBURY

#### Spring Tea

The UCW Spring Tea will be on May 6 from 2-4 p.m. at the Knox United Church. Please use west doors. Baking, plants and miscellaneous tables.

#### General Meeting

There will be a Didsbury Light Horse Club general meeting on April 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hog Line Room at the Curling Rink. For more information call 335-4202.

Due to the increase of upcoming events advertisements for the Program Page, effective immediately we will be running ads one week only. Ads should be no more than 20 words in length and have to be in the Review office by noon on Fridays.

### FALLEN TIMBER

#### Ham Supper

A Ham Supper will be held on April 30 from 3-7 p.m. at the Fallen Timber Hall. Everyone welcome.

### MARKERVILLE

#### Fundraising Auction

The Historic Markerville Creamery will hold its 5th annual Fundraising Auction on April 30 at 11 a.m. Everyone welcome to attend.

### DIDSBURY

#### DIDSBURY MUSEUM

Everyone is welcome. We have lots to see, take a look back in history. Donations are always welcome. Admission is \$2/adults and children and members free. The Museum is open on Wed., Thurs., and Fri. from 2-5 p.m. weekly and 2-4 p.m. on Saturdays during July and Aug. We're located at 2118-21st Ave. For more info, call 335-9295 during office hours.

#### RECYCLING DEPOT

Didsbury Lions Recycle Centre open Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Accepting newspaper, office papers, magazines, junk mail, plastic milk jugs (please clean). Phone 335-8193. Use outside bins.

#### CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

#### LIONS

Lions Handi Bus in town service Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Wheelchair accessible Call Lloyd Kenyon at 335-2363.

#### PLAYGROUP

A non-profit, parent run, social and educational program for children 3-5 years is now accepting on-going registrations. Drop-offs available. Call 335-8039 or 335-8818.

#### INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location.

#### BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7-8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

#### OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

Just Done For Fun out of school care program runs each school day at Ross Ford. For more information call 335-8168.

#### AL-ANON

Al-Anon meetings for families of alcoholics held every Friday. For more info call 335-3146 or 335-9787.

#### BRIDGE CLUB

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-8375 or 638-2757.

### DIDSBURY

#### SUPPORT GROUP

ADD/ADHD Support Group. For parents and families dealing with attention deficit disorder. For more info call Sheree 335-8612.

#### GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. in education room (lower level) at Didsbury Hospital.

#### HOME HELP ASSOCIATION

The Didsbury and District Association is a locally run non-profit society attempting to coordinate volunteer or fee for service assistance. Call 507-9063.

#### A.D.D. SUPPORT

Learning Disabilities Association. Support, information, workshops, seminars, resource materials, films and tapes. Meets last Tuesday of each month. 7 p.m. in the Didsbury Hospital Physiotherapy Conference Room. Contact Sam at 556-7614 eves. or Susan 335-3174.

### LONE PINE

#### T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Friday at 9 a.m. at Lone Pine Hall. For information call Doreen at 335-4514.

### OLDS

#### MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING

Join the Mountain View Presenters (MVP) Toastmasters Club in Olds. Meetings every Tuesday at Olds College, Room 108, at 7 p.m. starting September 9. For further info, call Judy Dahl at 556-7119 or Malissa at 556-8520.

#### SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month, Fortnight and place, contact Mel Terstra 335-3527 for info.

### SUNDRE

#### ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Wednesdays, 8-9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

### ALA TEEN

ALA Teen, Sundre United Church Basement, Wednesday 7:00 p.m. More info 638-3277.

### AL-ANON

Al-Anon, Wednesdays. For more information call 638-3277 or 335-9787.



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